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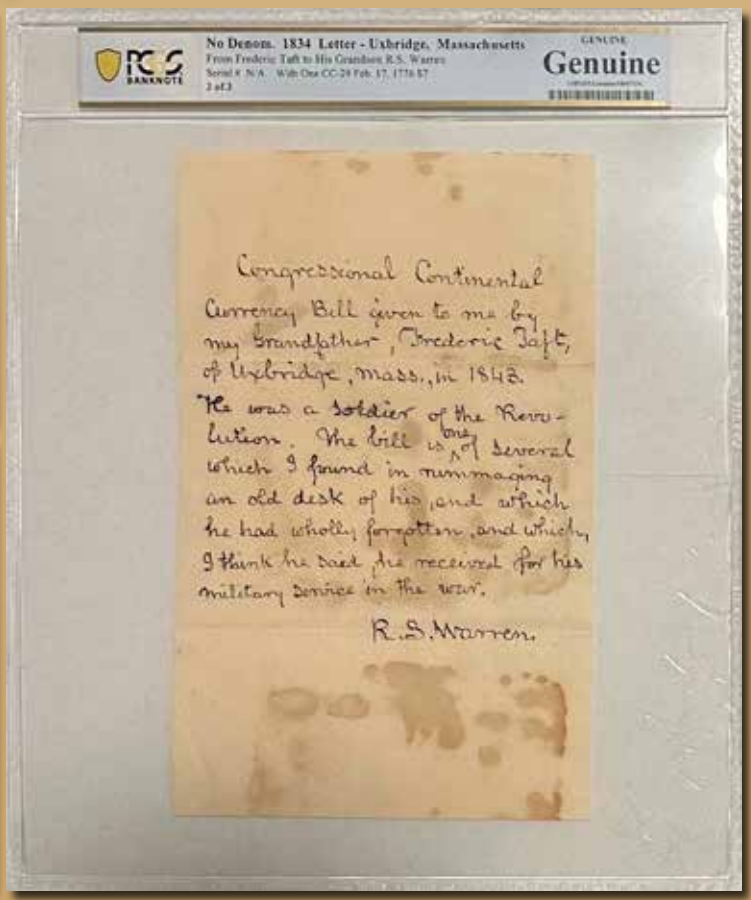
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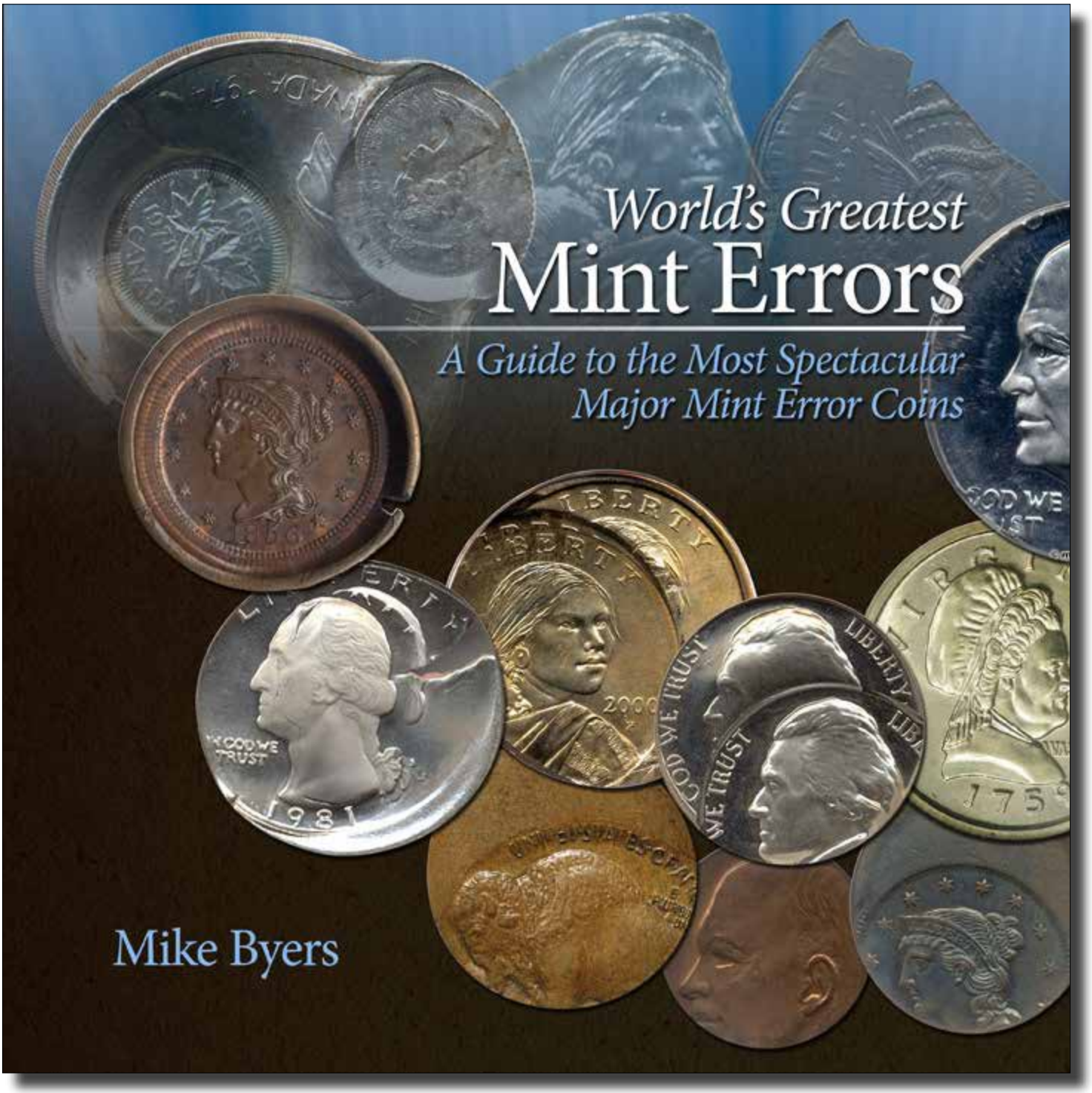

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Mike Byers, Publisher & Editor, Welcomes You!

Welcome to Mint Error News Magazine, bringing the latest mint error news and information to the collector. This is our 22nd year bringing you both an online PDF magazine and the Mint Error News website. There are over 1,500 articles, features, discoveries, news stories with mint error related info from the United States and around the World. Our website, minterrornews.com, has become the most popular and informative Internet resource for mint errors and is read by thousands of dealers and collectors.

Over the last 22 years with the advent of the internet millions of collectors have flocked to online auctions and dealer websites. Many people connect to various online forums and clubs to share knowledge and learn about Mint Errors. Everyone, including dealers, collectors and even investors have instant access to information as never before. The Mint Error market has experienced an explosion in collector interest over the last 22 years.

Time and again, rare and unique Mint Errors in the numismatic market have made headline news. Authentication and certification of Mint Errors is now commonplace. In 1991, ANACS was the first to authenticate, grade and encapsulate major Mint Errors. In 1999, PCGS and NGC began certifying Mint Errors. Major Mint Errors are now pursued, collected and traded just like patterns, territorial Gold, colonials and other interesting segments of numismatics.

In 1975, I purchased a 1900 Indian Head Cent struck on a $2 1/2 Indian Gold blank planchet for $7,750 at a major coin auction. That price ranked among the top five ever realized for a Mint Error that few dealers or serious collectors would even consider. At that time price guides for Mint Errors were nonexistent and today that Indian Head Cent struck in Gold is certified MS65 by PCGS and is valued at six figures.

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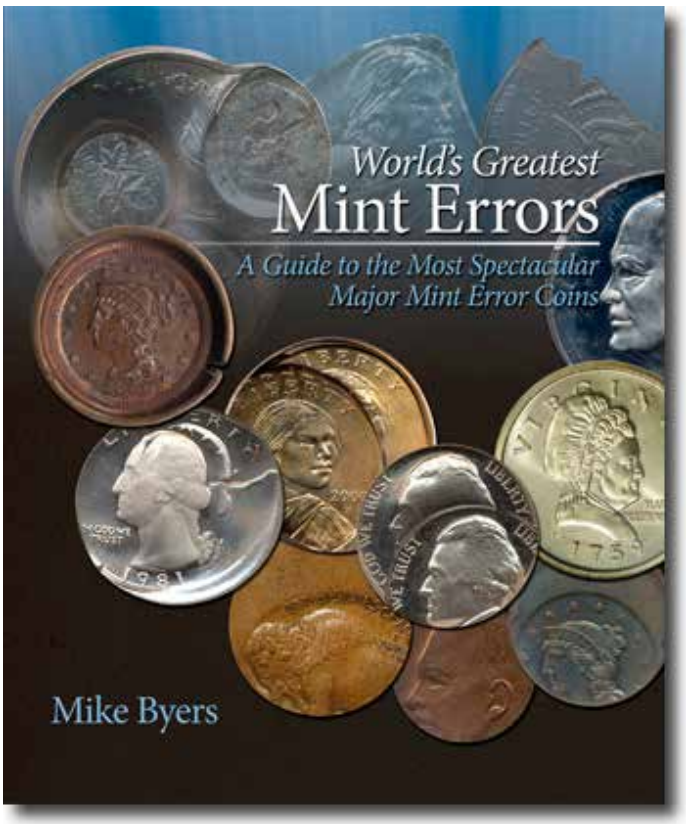

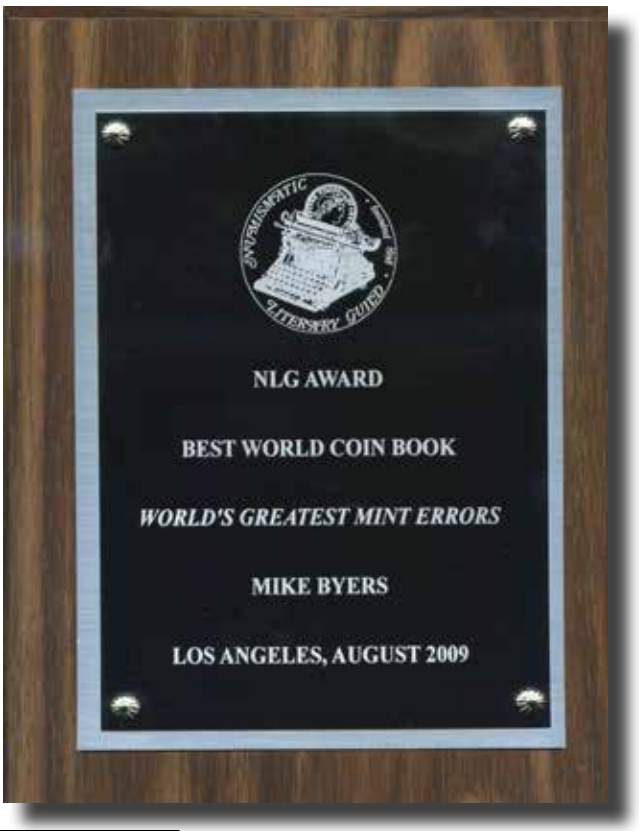

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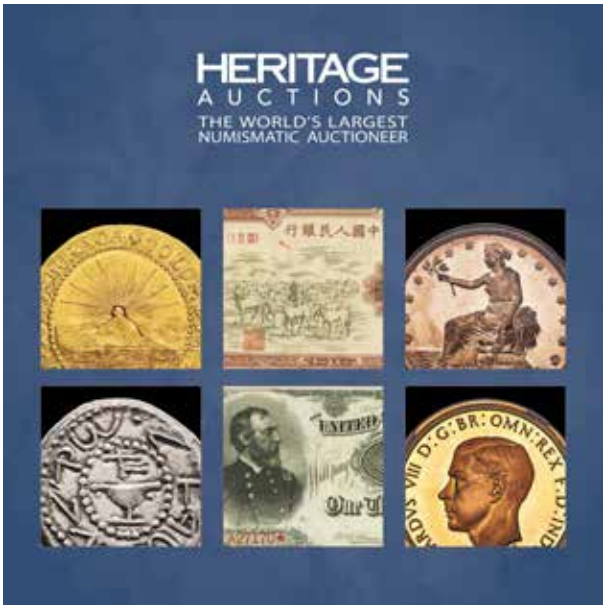

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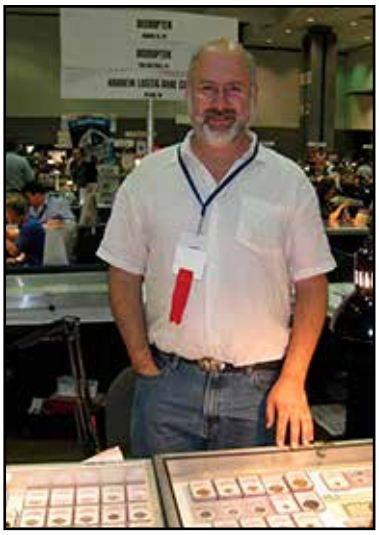

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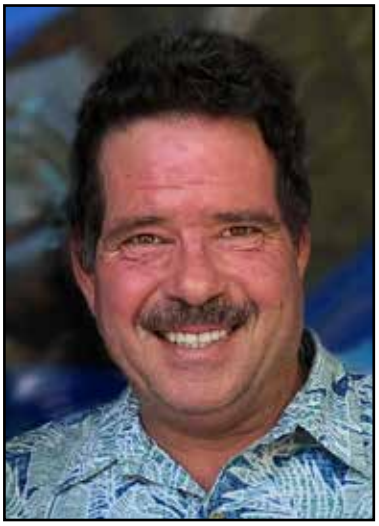
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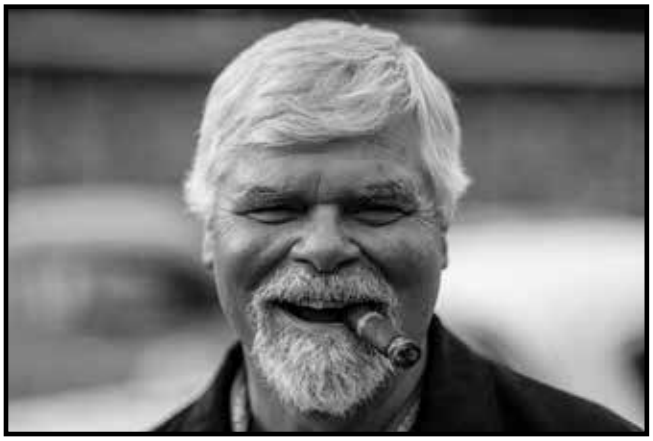

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PCGS Certifies $7 Continental Currency Note Pedigree Dating Back to the American Revolution! Kept in the Extended Family of President Taft Since 1776

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This unique and historic $7 Continental Currency Note is accompanied by a handwritten envelope and letter documenting its pedigree back to 1776. It was just authenticated and certified by PCGS and is being offered for sale for the first time. The fascinating history surrounding this set follows the genealogy tree of the Taft Family dating back to 1640, which includes President William Taft.

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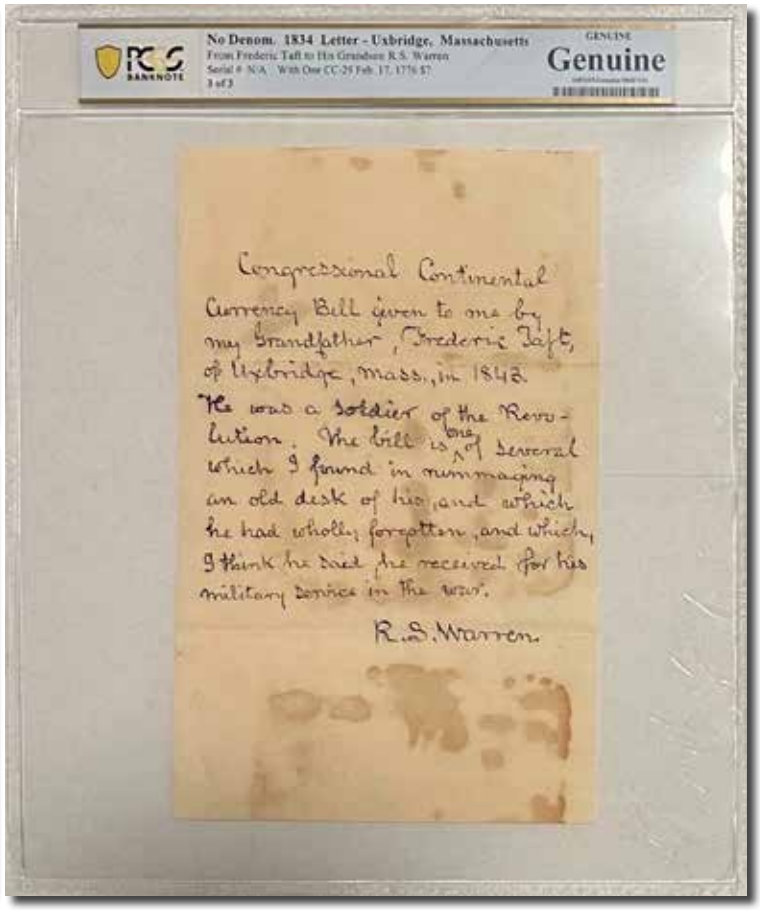
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Congressional Continental Currency Bill given to me by my Grandfather, Frederic Taft, of Uxbridge, Mass., in 1848. He was a Soldier of the Revolution. The bill is one of several which I found in rummaging an old desk of his, and which he had wholly forgotten, and which I think he said he received for his military service in the war.
R.S. Warren.

This $7 Continental Currency note was in the extended Taft Family since the American Revolution in 1776. This incredible discovery was unknown to the numismatic community until now.

The American Revolution was a movement for independence, including political, social, and ideological change. Between 1765 and 1775 the desire for independence grew, resulting in protests and boycotts including the Stamp Act and Boston Tea Party. The first battles at Lexington and Concord in April of 1775 started the Revolutionary War between the American colonies and Britain.

The Second Continental Congress established the Continental Army which appointed George Washington as its commander-in-chief in June 1775. The $7 Continental Currency notes were issued during the American Revolution by the Continental Congress as part of their effort to finance the war against Great Britain. The Continental Congress lacked the ability to levy taxes or generate revenue through other means, so they printed paper money, known as Continental currency, in large quantities to fund the war effort and to pay soldiers. This $7 note was issued on February 17th, 1776. It was part of the second issue of currency by the Continental Congress.

Ultimately, the Continental Currency became largely useless after the war, contributing to the financial instability of the early United States. The experience of hyperinflation caused by the Continental Currency was one of the factors that led to the adoption of the U.S. Constitution, which gave the federal government the power to coin money and regulate its value.

On July 4th 1776, the Declaration of Independence was signed. But major battles between the British and American colonies continued until 1781, with the American victory over the British at Yorktown. The War ends officially with the Treaty

of Paris, signed in 1783. On March 4, 1789 the new United States Government, which was created by the Constitution officially began operations, replacing the old Articles of Confederation.

This $7 note was given to sergeant Frederick Taft for his service in the Revolutionary War and stayed in the Taft Family from 1776 until 2025. The letter and envelope written in 1843, document the pedigree of this $7 note.

The Taft family came from England, Scotland, Ireland and France. The first known ancestor of the Taft family in the United States, Robert Taft Sr., was born in 1640. He began a homestead in Mendon, Massachusetts (circa 1680). Today it is known as Uxbridge, Massachusetts, where he passed away in 1726.

Descendants of the Taft family lived for five generations on farms in Massachusetts before branching out to New York, Maryland and Ohio. Prominent family members include a Governor of Rhode Island, a United States Senator from Ohio, and a U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. The most famous Taft Family member was William Howard Taft, who became the 27th President of the United States.

The Taft family was very prominently represented as soldiers in the Revolutionary War, mostly in the New England states. Following the Taft genealogy three generations later, Samuel Taft (1735-1816) served in the Continental Army and was the proprietor of a tavern in Uxbridge, now known as Samuel Taft House. President George Washington visited Samuel Taft in 1789 on his inaugural tour of New England. Samuel Taft was the father of Frederick Taft, who was the sergeant in the American Revolution, and the original link to the pedigree of this $7 1776 note.

Frederick Taft was born on June 19th, 1759. He served in the Revolutionary War as a sergeant in one of the local militia units. Like many small towns in New England,

Uxbridge contributed resources, including supplies, food, and ammunition, to the war effort. This was vital in the early stages of the war, when resources were limited, and each town had to do its part to support the Continental Army. He married Abigail Wood in June of 1782. Frederick and Abigail were the parents of Parla Parilla "Parly" Taft, who was born on March 5, 1798. She married Amory Warren on May 17, 1821.

One of their sons was Dr. Royal Sibley Warren (1822-1896), who was the 4th-great-grandson of Robert Taft, Sr. He was born on September 12, 1822, in Alstead, New Hampshire. He was the eldest of seven children. Dr. R.S. Warren was one of the many pioneers and prominent men of Middlesex County, Massachusetts, in the 1800s. A physician and a microscopist, he earned his medical degree from Harvard Medical College in 1846. Then he settled in Waltham, Massachusetts in 1847 and started a large medical practice that lasted until 1881.

He married Susan E. Bates on July 10, 1850 and had six children. Eventually he built a house in Waltham between 1851 and 1853. However, in 1865 he had a terrible railroad accident that made him permanently disabled and homebound for almost a year. Despite his disability, he joined politics and was elected on November 5, 1867 to represent Waltham in the Legislature, becoming one of the 240 members of the 1868 Massachusetts House of Representatives, serving until June 24, 1869. Additionally, he also served on the School Committee and was responsible for the oversight and management of goals and policies of their local public school system.

R.S. Warren retired to Colorado Springs, Colorado, in 1881, with his wife and two daughters. He passed away on February 13, 1896 and was later buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Colorado Springs, Colorado on May 15, 1896. After his death, his wife, children, and their families settled in Massachusetts, Colorado, and

California. His house in Waltham, subsequently became part of Massachusetts' historic buildings.

In 1843, R.S. Warren wrote a letter documenting that the $7 Continental Currency Note from 1776 was given to him by his grandfather, Frederick Taft. In this letter, he also mentioned that Frederick Taft was a soldier in the American Revolution and received this note as payment for his service.

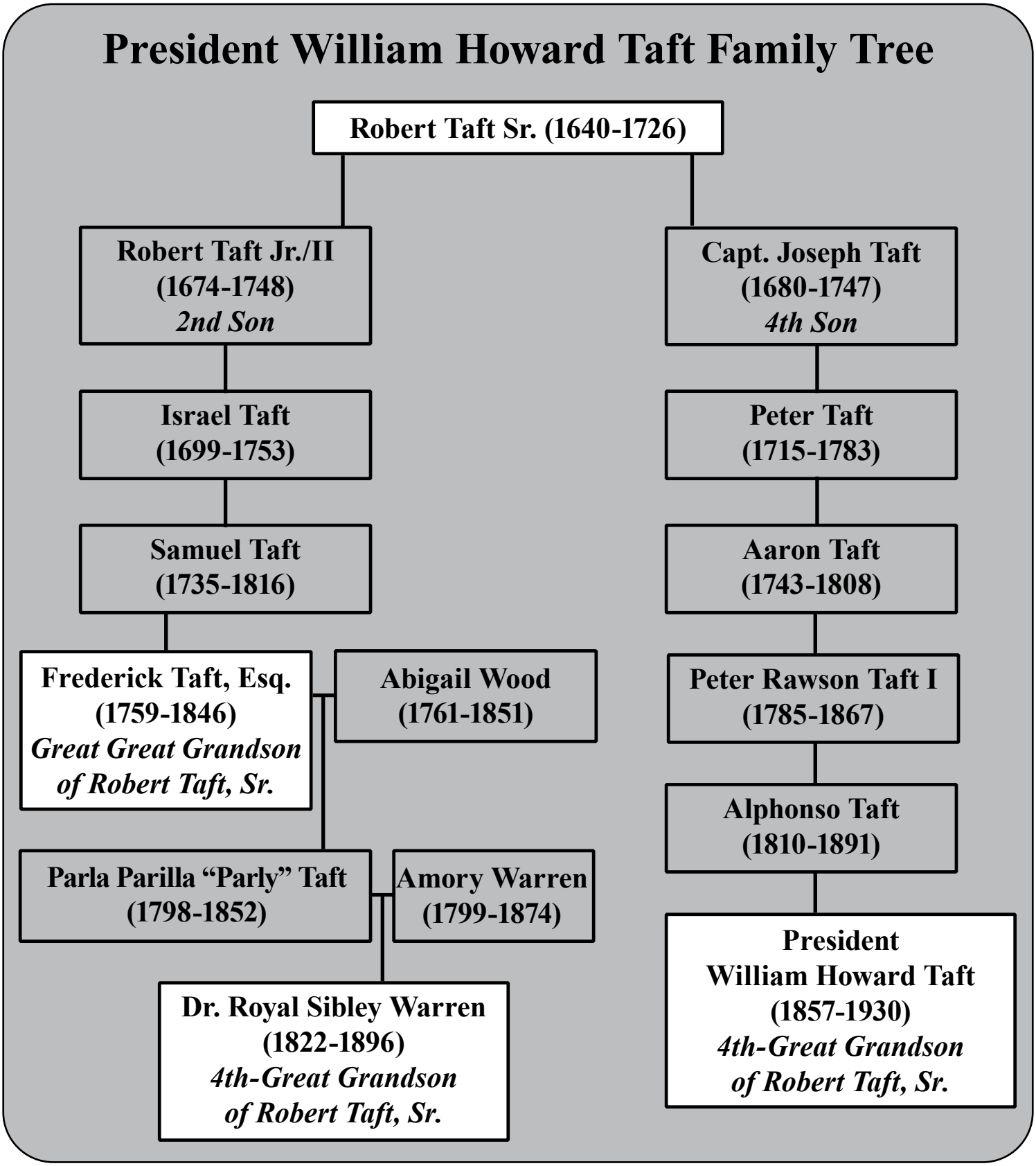
The Taft family expanded westward over the generations, with one branch of the Taft family settling in Ohio. Alphonso Taft (1810-1891) became a prominent figure in state and national politics. He attended Yale University, where he founded the Skull and Bones society. He later was Secretary of War and Attorney General of the United States. Alphonso's son, William Howard Taft, was born on September 15th, 1857.

William Howard Taft was the 4th-great-grandson of Robert Taft Sr. He was also a distant cousin to both Frederick Taft and R.S. Warren (Frederick Taft's grandson). He served as the 27th President of the United States from 1909 to 1913 and the tenth Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court from 1921 to 1930.

The connection of President William Howard Taft to Robert Taft Sr. is documented through genealogical records that span from colonial Massachusetts to the Presidency of the United States.

This $7 Continental Currency Note, along with the handwritten envelope and letter, was kept by relatives of R.S. Warren and finally sold to a coin dealer in 2025 who submitted this set to PCGS.

It's amazing that this $7 Continental Currency Note survived in the extended Taft family for 250 years. This unique numismatic discovery belongs in a museum, a collection of U.S. Currency, a collection of American Revolution antiques, or in a collection containing rare items from our nation's history.


President William Howard Taft Family Tree
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Capt. Joseph Taft (1680-1747) 4th Son
Israel Taft (1699-1753)
Peter Taft (1715-1783)
Samuel Taft (1735-1816)
Aaron Taft (1743-1808)
Frederick Taft, Esq. (1759-1846) Great Great Grandson of Robert Taft, Sr.
Abigail Wood (1761-1851)
Peter Rawson Taft I (1785-1867)
Alphonso Taft (1810-1891)
Parla Parilla "Parly" Taft (1798-1852)
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Dr. Royal Sibley Warren (1822-1896) 4th-Great Grandson of Robert Taft, Sr.

1 of 3: American Revolution / Continental Currency
Fr. CC-29 Feb. 17, 1776 $7
Serial # 197521 Printer: Hall & Sellers, PA
PCGS Certification Number 58687189

PCGS Certifies $7 Continental Currency Note With Pedigree Dating Back to the American Revolution!

2 of 3: (1843) Envelope - Uxbridge, Massachusetts

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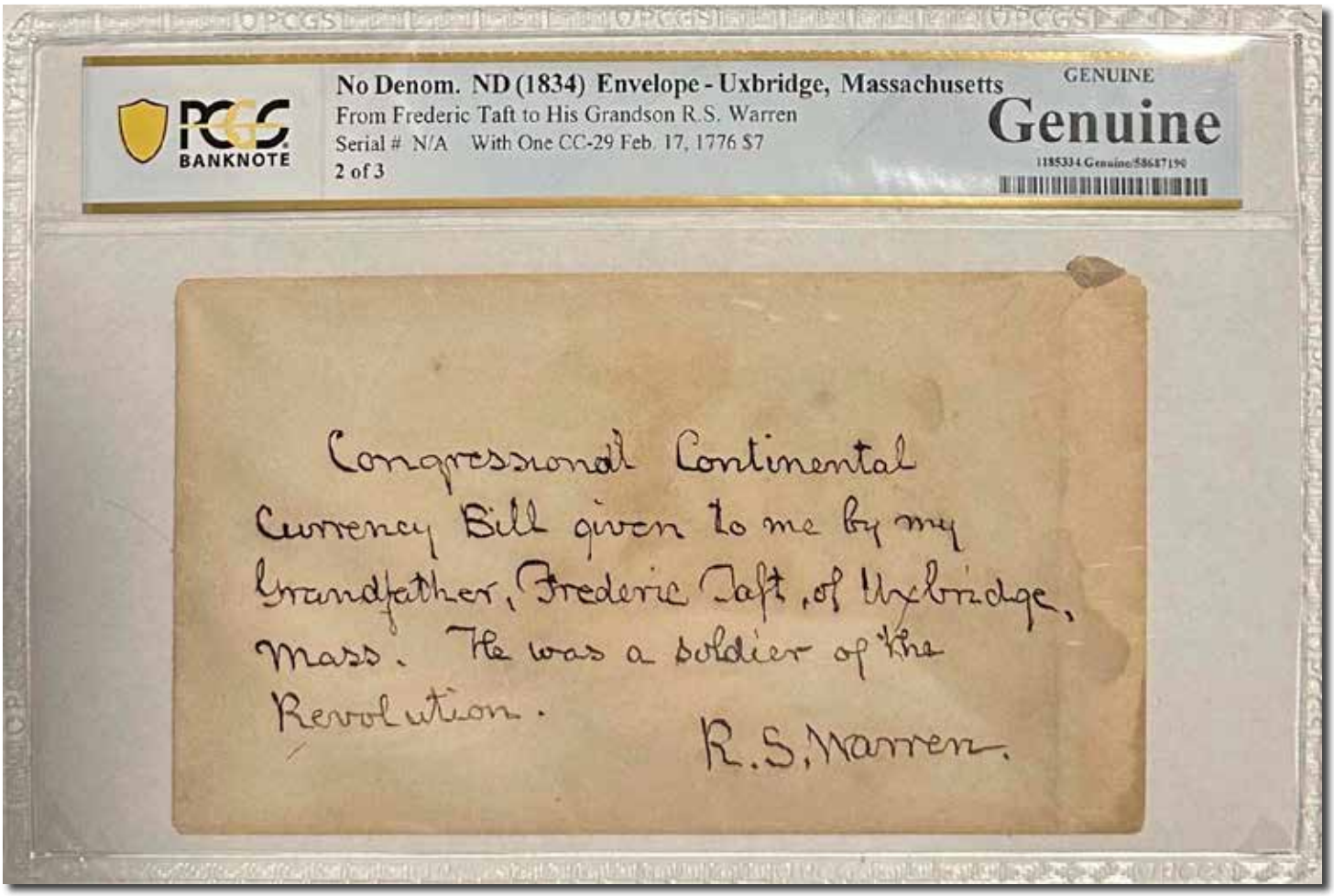
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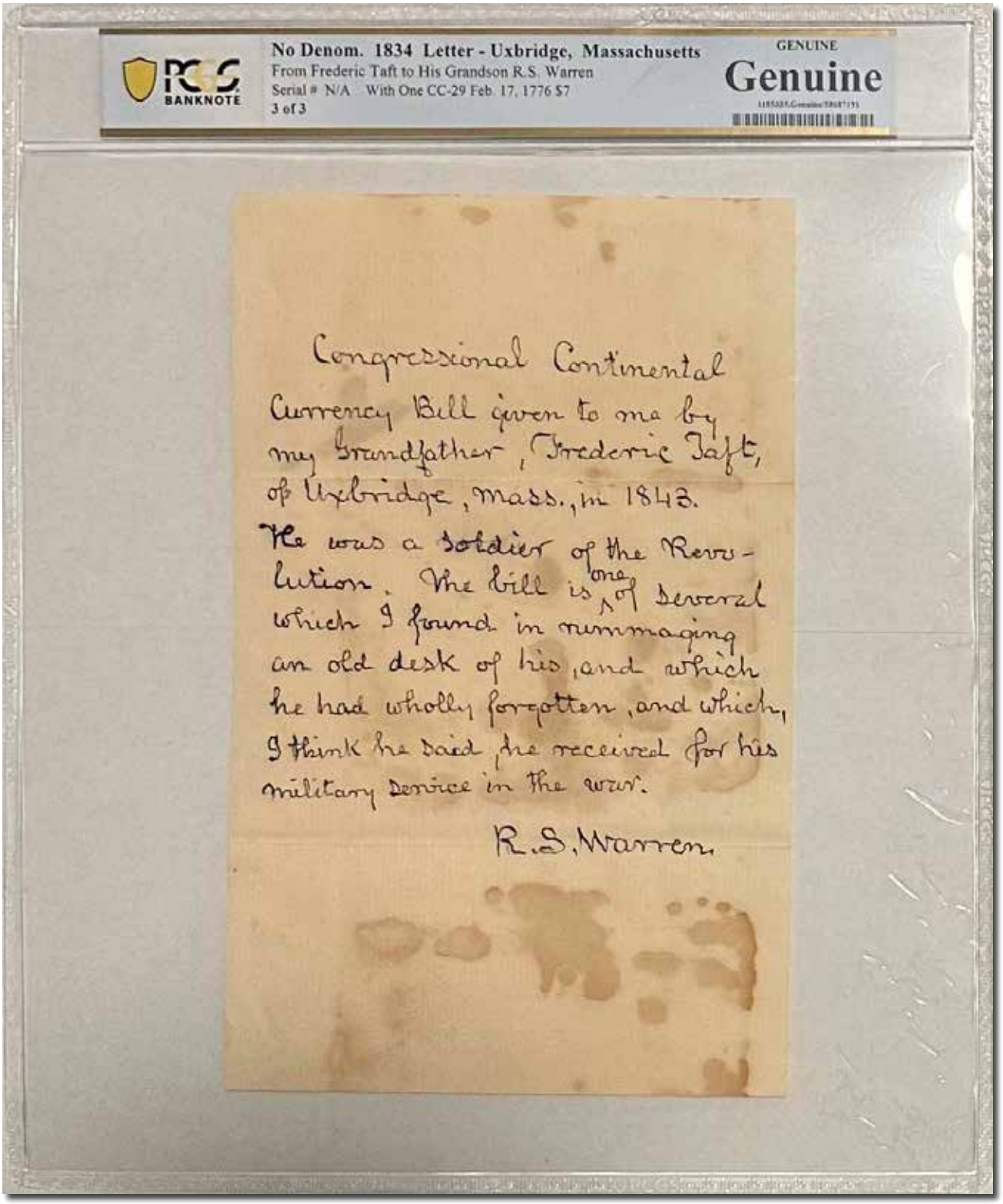
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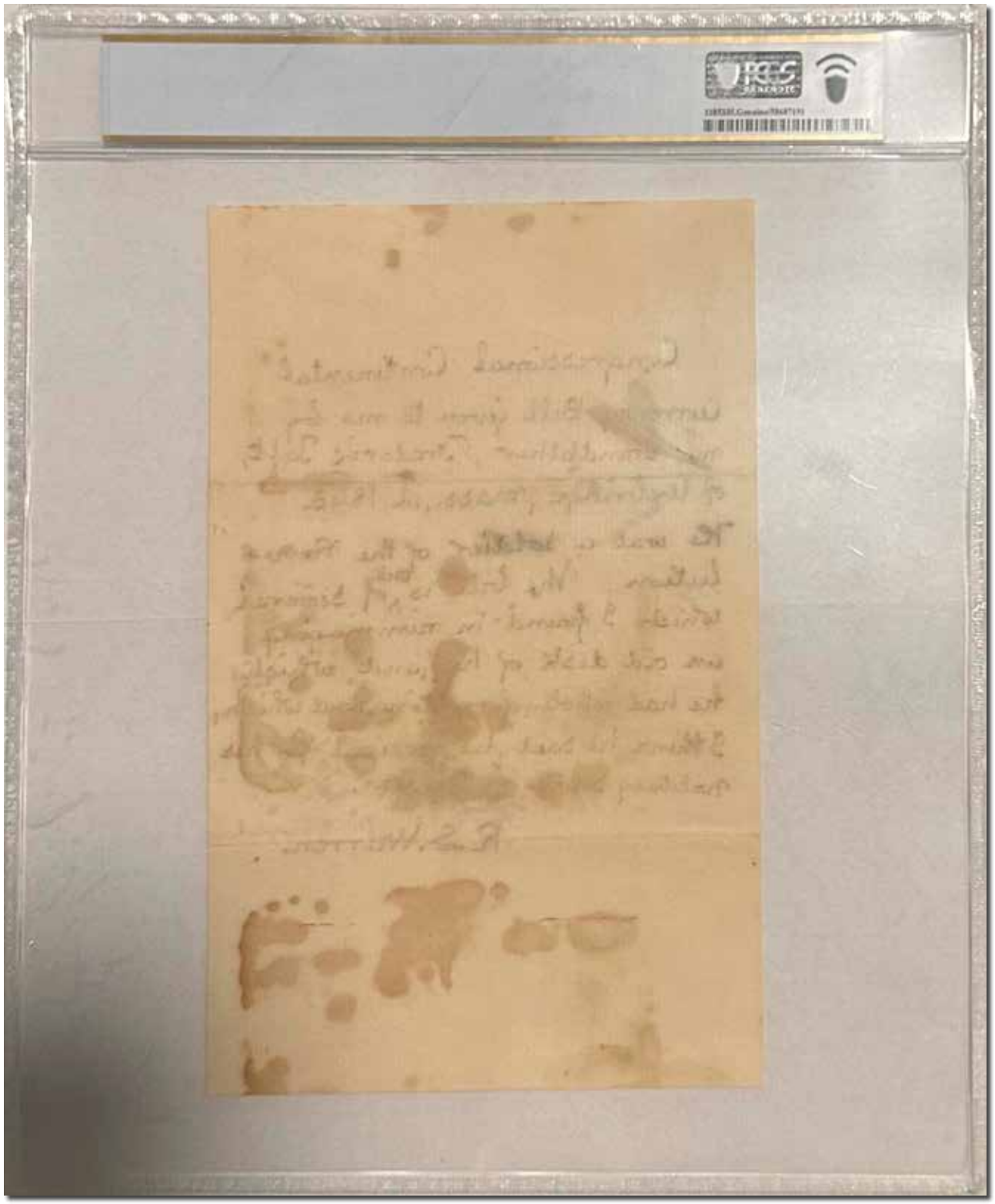

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Unique Ike Dollar With Brockage From Ike Dollar Struck On Dime Planchet

by Mike Byers (mikebyers.com)

Unique Ike Dollar With Brockage From Ike Dollar Struck On Dime Planchet

Just certified by CAC and unknown to the numismatic community, this Eisenhower Dollar mint error is unique. It has a brockage from an Eisenhower Dollar that was struck on a Dime planchet.

Since the Eisenhower Dollar struck on a Dime planchet was very thin, the pressure from the Eisenhower Dollar dies expanded the diameter as it was struck into the Eisenhower Dollar planchet. This is an incredibly rare sequence of events.

Somewhere out there is the other half of this mated pair. It would be an Eisenhower Dollar Struck on 10¢ Planchet. The obverse would have an expanded and distorted portrait of President Eisenhower.

In my opinion, this Eisenhower Dollar is as struck and in original condition with film on both sides. The weakness of IN GOD WE TRUST on the obverse and UNITED STATES on the reverse are due to the lack of die pressure since there was another coin in the collar.

This unique Eisenhower Dollar major mint error belongs in a collection of Eisenhower Dollar errors or unique errors.

Unique Ike Dollar With Brockage From Ike Dollar Struck On Dime Planchet

Part of the expanded and distorted reeding of the brockage from the Eisenhower Dollar struck on a 10¢ Planchet is clearly visible:

Unique Ike Dollar With Brockage From Ike Dollar Struck On Dime Planchet

Part of the expanded and distorted portrait of the brockage from the Eisenhower Dollar struck on a 10¢ Planchet is visible:

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Part of the expanded and distorted lettering of IN GOD WE TRUST of the brockage from the Eisenhower Dollar struck on a 10¢ Planchet is visible:

Unique Ike Dollar With Brockage From Ike Dollar Struck On Dime Planchet

Here is a rendering of what the Ike Dollar on the 10¢ planchet would look like before it flipped over creating a brockage when the Ike Dollar was struck:

Unique Ike Dollar With Brockage From Ike Dollar Struck On Dime Planchet

Here is a rendering showing the enhanced detail of the brockage from the Ike Dollar on the 10¢ planchet:

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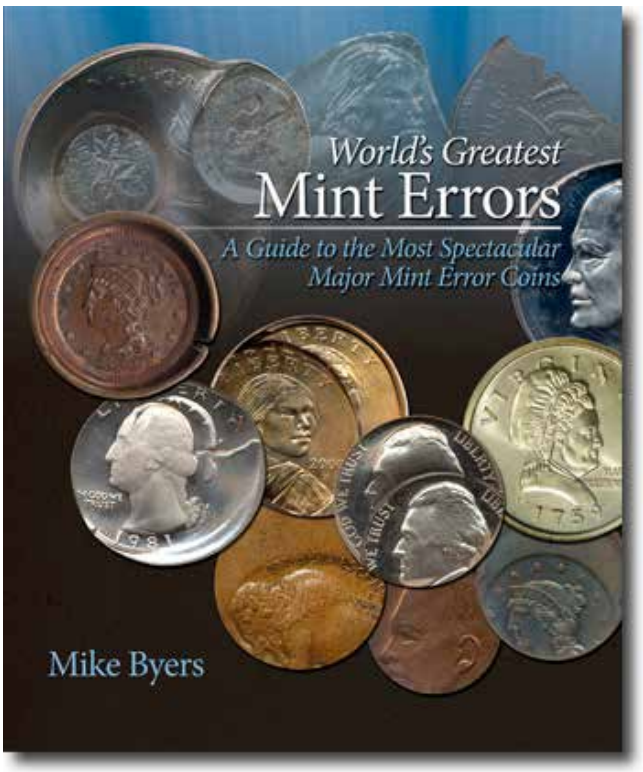
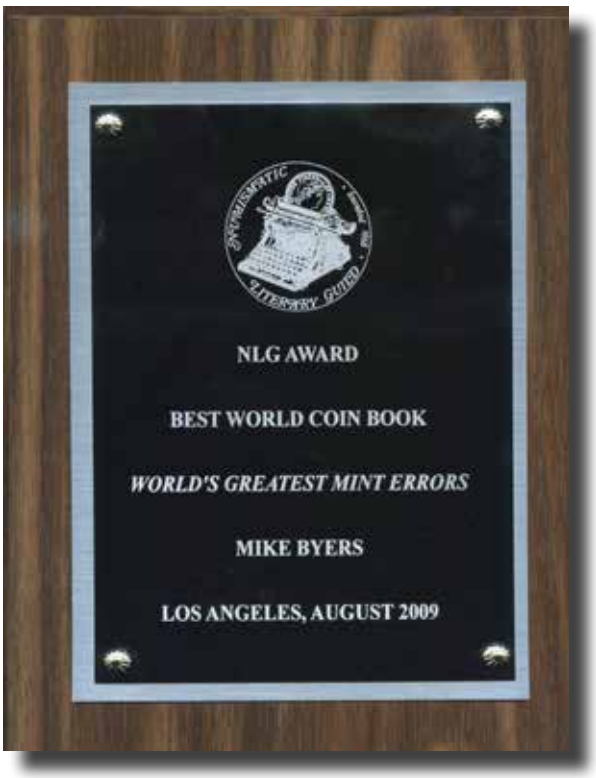
Spectacular Errors are featured in Chapter 24 of my NLG award winning book, *World's Greatest Mint Errors*.





Chapter 24

Spectacular Errors

A spectacular error can be anything. Many factors have to come together for a mint error to be truly spectacular. An example is a Susan B. Anthony dollar struck on a Sacagawea dollar brass planchet or a Sacagawea dollar struck on a Susan B. Anthony dollar clad planchet. Some other examples include coins that are struck and bonded together, coins struck on feeder fingers and coins struck over tokens or foreign coins.

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1884-CC Morgan Silver Dollar

Split Planchet—PCGS MS-64

This 1884-CC Silver Dollar is struck on a planchet that was not properly positioned and included unpunctures in the dies. The struck coin split in half nearly horizontally through the center of the coin. Amazingly, this error survived intact and both halves of the planchet still fit snugly together.

One of the most dramatic Morgan Dollar errors known, this "Broken CC" is also significant because it is a product of the Carson City Mint. Due both to its association with the Old West and the unique double mintmark of its coins, the Carson City Mint is one of the most romanticized and popular coinage facilities in U.S. history.

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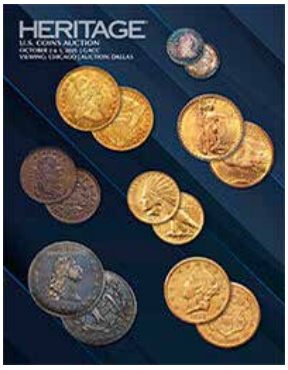

The following mint errors are sold in the October 2025 GACC US Coins Signature® Auction #1386.

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1980-D Lincoln Cent, MS64
Struck on a 90% Silver Dime Planchet
Unusual Obsolete Planchet Mint Error

Sold For: $20,400.00

1980-D Lincoln Memorial Cent -- Struck on a 90% Silver Dime Blank -- MS64 NGC. 2.5 grams. Satiny luster enjoys slight russet overtoning, with boldly struck design elements and few marks. The smaller dime planchet is aligned with the left edge of the collar, providing a full rim on that border while the right-hand border lacks a rim entirely. Some distortion of the border legends is caused as a result. The curious nature of this piece transcends a typical wrong planchet error, since the silver dime planchet on which the

coin was struck should not have existed at the Denver Mint after about 1965. Still, at least three 1980-D cents struck on 2.5-gram coin-silver planchets (consistent with a dime) exist. Perhaps a mint employee slipped the planchets into the hopper -- or between the dies -- to stir up a numismatic discovery for eagle-eyed collectors. We sold one of the other pieces in our recent 2025 ANA Signature, graded MS64 NGC, which realized $18,000.

1800 Silver Dollar, XF45
Double Struck, 2nd Strike 15% Off Center
Scarce 10 Arrows, B-15, BB-195

$26,400.00

Images Courtesy of Heritage Auctions, HA.com

1800 $1 10 Arrows, B-15, BB-195, R.4 -- Double Struck, Second Strike 15% Off Center -- XF45 PCGS. Ex: The Peh Family Collection. A spectacular mint error on a Draped Bust dollar. We know of only one similar example within the series, a double-struck NGC AU53 BB-196 dollar with the second strike 10% off center. On the present coin, the first strike was apparently normal, but the piece was struck a second time, 15% off center toward 10 o'clock, at 10 o'clock relative to the first strike. Much design detail from the first strike remains, including the date. The pearl-gray surfaces are minimally marked save for moderate contact on the reverse field near the right scroll end. "Bowers Die State II" with clash marks from the bust tip near OF. BB-195 is the sole die marriage of the Guide Book 1800 10 Arrows variety, and it is scarce. Bowers (1993) estimates two to four Mint State examples and only five to ten AU survivors. Herrman (Winter 2024) records only the Amon G. Carter, Jr. coin in Mint State, along with eight coins in AU and another two as XF45.

Ex: FUN Signature (Heritage, 1/2006), lot 3230.

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Full Brockage Obverse
MS62 Brown PCGS
Realized $9,600

1943-S Nickel
Struck on a Zinc-Coated Steel Planchet
AU58 NGC
Realized $2,880

1965 Dime
Struck on a Silver Dime Planchet
MS62 PCGS
Realized $9,000

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Brockage Reverse
Struck on Nickel Planchet
MS65 PCGS
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Struck on Feeder Finger
Ungraded NGC
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1999- SBA Dollar
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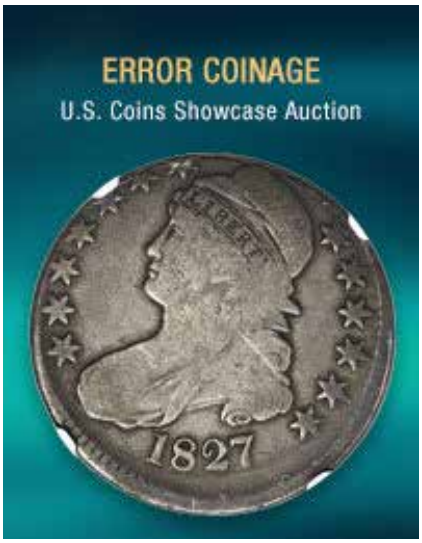

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2005-P Jefferson Nickel, Bison
Double Denomination, Struck on a 2005 Lincoln Cent
MS68 Red NGC

$26,400.00

1811 Large Cent, S-287, B-1, R.2
Double Struck, Second Strike 50% Off Center
VF30 PCGS

$16,200.00

1797 Half Cent, Plain Edge, 1 Above 1, C-1, B-1, R.2
Double Struck, Scratched
ANACS Details. XF, Net VF20

$15,600.00

1955 Franklin Half Dollar, Bugs Bunny, FS-401, Struck on Silver Quarter Planchet with Bugs Bunny Die Clash MS64 PCGS

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PCGS Very Fine 25
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Buffalo, NY- $50/100
Double Denomination 1882 Date Back
Fr. 559/567 The Columbia NB Ch. # (E)4741
About Uncirculated
Sold for $57,500

Doubled Third Printing Fr. 1935-D $2 1976
Federal Reserve Note
PMG Gem Uncirculated 65 EPQ
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The "Libertas Americana" Metallurgical Trial Pieces

by John Wang, Mint Error News Consultant

The Joe Zaffern specimen of the 12-sided, roughly nickel-sized Libertas America Metallurgical Trial Piece was sold for $2587.35 ($2,202 hammer plus 17.5% buyers premium) in the Numismatic Auctions LLC auction 67 on Saturday, January 28, 2023.

These pieces are fascinating pieces of history. These were previously discussed in Ken Potter's 1998 article titled "5¢ Size 'Libertas Americana' Metallurgical Trial Piece Surfaces." Since then more specimens have surfaced and this article attempts to list a complete census of the known specimens including nickel-sized pieces, and a cent-sized piece.

5 cent Libertas Americana pattern. Photos courtesy of Numismatic Auctions LLC.

The “Libertas Americana” Metallurgical Trial Pieces

1 cent Libertas Americana pattern. Photos courtesy of Jesse Patrick.

Background

These "Libertas Americana" patterns are extremely interesting and mysterious due to the Libertas Americana motif and a lack of historical records, but having some physical resemblance to other US Mint related issues. In addition to the 12-sided, nickel-sized pieces, there is a single cent-sized Libertas Americana pattern known. These have been discussed in several articles and venues with the general consensus that while no definitive information is available, these are likely to be US Patterns struck using dies made by the US Mint due to their resemblance to other US Mint issues and their date of discovery. From a date perspective, the nickel-sized pieces were struck before the GM roller press pattern cents and share the "2358" number on the reverse with those pieces. A 5 cent sized piece was first published in May 1962 per Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine while the first discussions for the GM roller press cents first started in late 1963 according to Eric M. Larson.

These pieces have been discussed over many years:

- 1962 - Alfred Kramer publishes 5 cent photos in Numismatic Scrapbook
- 1979 - David E. Schenkman publishes 1 cent photos in The Numismatist
- 1985 - Eric M. Larson writes about 1 cent pattern with photos in Coin World
- 1997 - Jesse Patrick publishes article on 1 cent specimen
- 1998 - Ken Potter publishes article on newly discovered Zaffern 5 cent specimen
- 2010 - Jonathan Brecher publishes new 5 cent specimen in discussion thread
- 2023 - Steve Davis documents and sells Zaffern 5 cent specimen

The “Libertas Americana” Metallurgical Trial Pieces

The relationship of these to US Mint issues have been subject to much discussion, including:

1. The image of Lady Liberty has been observed to be similar to and likely based on the US Mint 1945 Assay Medal done by John Ray Sinnock, the 8th Chief Engraver of the US Mint. This has been mentioned by Andrew W. Pollock III (author of United States Patterns and Related Issues), Martin Logies (director and curator of the Cardinal Collection Education Foundation), Thomas K. DeLorey (2009 ANA Numismatist of the Year), Ken Potter (editor of Cherrypickers' Guide To Rare Die Varieties) and others.
2. The nonsensical terminology used seems similar to the Pollock-4060 GM Roller Press patterns created by Frank Gasparro. Both Libertas Americana pieces and the GM Roller Press pieces feature the number "2358" on the reverse. The cent-sized piece and GM pieces also feature the nonsensical text "ACFH KOPRW". The nickel-sized pieces feature similar nonsensical text "ACFLN OPRSV". Additionally the first known appearance of the nickel-sized piece was posted in the May 1962 issue of Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine by Albert Kramer, at least 2 years before the GM roller press experiments started. It is speculated that Frank Gasparro would have only used "2358" on his GM pieces if the number was previously used on other US Mint pieces.
3. The reverse devices for the wreath and inner circle areas have similarities between the cent Libertas Americana piece and Pollock-4060 as well as the nickel Libertas Americana piece and US Mint struck coins for Honduras from 1931-1958.

Ken also covers similarities to Canadian 12-sided pieces issued in conjunction with WWII and the Korean War, and speculates the US may have been doing experiments along similar lines at the time. To summarize, he writes:

> The fact is, we have no positive proof of exactly what they represent or who made them. However, we can almost assume with certainty that the dies were produced by the U.S. Philadelphia Mint. Clearly, Gasparro would not have patterned his G.M. "Roller Press - Young Lady's Head" reverse die design, complete with nonsensical legends and the exact four-digit number found on the "Libertas Americana" tokens, if they had no connection to the U.S. Mint. It is probable that Gasparro patterned his die from designs available in-house. Of course, one may ask, if Gasparro copied the reverse, why didn't he also copy the obverse of the "Libertas Americana" token for his G.M. dies. But it must be pointed out that the "Young Lady's Head" design used by G.M. was created to closely mimic the metal flow of a Lincoln cent design; the bust occupied the same general location, her hair in a "bun" represented Lincoln's beard and nonsensical legends took the place of the date, Mintmark, Liberty and In God We Trust.
> [...]
> While this article hasn't presented any conclusive evidence as to the exact nature of the tokens or era in which they were produced - there is enough evidence to presume the dies were produced inside the U.S. Mint for experimental purposes and that the two token varieties known thus far represent probable metallurgical trial strikes.

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A discussion and visual comparison, along with a census follows.

Libertas Americana Comparison to US Mint Assay Medal

Below are images of Lady Liberty on this pattern and the 1945 Assay Medal done by John Sinnock. The following is a photo of the nickel-sized Libertas Americana piece.

US Mint Assay Medal - Richard Jewell specimen. Photo courtesy of Stack’s Bowers.
5 cent Libertas Americana Pattern - Photo courtesy of Numismatic Auctions LLC.

Nonsensical Text Comparison to Pollock-4060

The following photos show the identical 2358 text across all the pieces as well as similar nonsensical text.

- The nickel-sized Libertas Americana piece is to the left
- The cent-sized Libertas Americana piece is in the center
- Frank Gasparro's GM roller press pattern is to the right

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Photos courtesy of Numismatic Auctions LLC, Patrick Mint, and PCGS.

Of note the cent-sized Libertas Americana piece has more text similarity to Pollock-4060. This may be coincidental ore because both are cent-sized pieces.

- Nickel-sized Libertas Americana pattern: "ACFLN 2358 OPRSV"
- Cent-sized Libertas Americana pattern text: "ACFH KOPRW 2358"
- Cent-sized GM roller press pattern: "AUNHRB ACFH KOPRW 2358 G"

Cent Wreath Comparisons to Pollock-4060

Also of note, is that the wreaths bear similarities between the Libertas Americana pieces and other US Mint pieces. Below is a comparison of the 1 cent-sized piece and Pollock-4060, noting that the leaves, flowers and berries are in the same locations.

Comparison of wreaths including leaves, flowers and berries.

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Nickel Wreath Comparisons to Honduras Centavos Coins

It has also been noted that the 5-cent Libertas Americana piece has a reverse wreath and inner circle area very similar to smaller denomination Honduras coins which was minted by the US Mint from 1931 to 1958.

This was noted by Ed. S. on the Collectors Universe message boards.

Honduras is listed in the US Mint struck foreign coinage list maintained by Mint Error News here:

https://minterrornews.com/foreign_coinage_production_figures.pdf

Comparison with 1957 Honduras 1 Centavo.
Honduras photo courtesy of NumisCorner.com

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Physical Description

The following information is summarized from Ken Potter, Jonathan Brecher, and Steve Davis.

Specimen	Composition	Diameter	Weight	Specific Gravity	Die Alignment
1 cent	homogeneous and highly magnetic steel alloy	19 mm	2.8 g	7.657	Coin turn, rev rotated 200 deg clockwise
5 cent (Zaffern)	three bonded/ clad layers with a magnetized steel core and two outer cupronickel layers	20.775 mm	4.54 g*	7.9	Coin turn, rev rotated 200 deg counter- clockwise
5 cent (Brecher)	copper-plated aluminum	20.8 mm	1.478 g	Unknown	

* Ken Potter indicated the Zaffern specimen had the approximate specifications of a "Canadian war-time 'steel' 5¢ piece." 4.54 grams is the weight of a Canada war-time chrome-plated steel 5 cent piece. This is the same weight the Canada 5 cent piece had from 1922 to 1981.

Ken Potter describes the Patrick 1 cent specimen as:

> The 1¢ size specimen is described by Patrick as having a plain smooth edge, being approximately the same diameter, thickness and weight of a U.S. zinc coated steel cent; the token being 2.8 grams in weight, 19 mm in diameter and struck in an apparently homogeneous and highly magnetic steel alloy with a specific gravity of 7.657. (For comparison, a 1943 "steel cent" weighs 2.7 grams and has a specific gravity of 7.80, is 19.05 mm in diameter and is composed of zinc plated steel.) It is struck in "coin alignment" (though its reverse is rotated approximately 200 clockwise). It should also be noted that the "Patrick Specimen" is the identical piece reported upon in David Schenkman and Joseph Levine's, Exonumia Notebook column in the May 1980 issue of the American Numismatic Association's, The Numismatist (pg. 1070). As such, the 1¢-size variety may be unique.

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Ken Potter describes the Zaffern 5 cent specimen as:

> The "Mellon specimen" is 12-sided (though it does look somewhat round when viewed straight on), and is of the approximate size and specifications of a Canadian war-time "steel" 5¢ piece. The token, (being difficult to obtain an exact measurement of, due to variances on its edge), is approximately 20.775 mm in diameter (taken from top to bottom, i.e., 12:00 to 6:00), is struck on a probable cupro-nickel plated steel planchet with a specific gravity of 7.9. Its edges are rough and granular, and in some areas recessed, with the planchet being comprised of three bonded layers similar to our current "sandwich metal" clad coins. The planchet is highly magnetic, exhibits a shell that is extremely similar if not identical in color to our current clad coinage (and homogeneous cupro-nickel 5¢ piece), and shows a dark core with obvious traces of surface-rust that is indicative of steel. It is struck in "coin alignment" with its reverse rotated 200 counter-clockwise. Its obverse appears to exhibit more basined fields than the 1¢-size variety.

Jonathan Brecher describes his 5 cent specimen as:

> This piece appears to be copper-plated aluminum. The obverse and reverse are bright copper color, while the edge is aluminum color. It is very light, 1.478 grams, and 20.8 mm diameter. It is 12-sided. The text on the reverse reads ACFLN / 2358 / OPRSV

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Census & Cataloging

While the Frank Gasparro Lady Liberty pattern has been cataloged as Pollock-4060, the cent and nickel-sized Libertas Americana patterns have not been cataloged yet in Judd or Pollock.

In the absence of catalog numbers, this article assigns some catalog numbers for these specimens.

It appears there may be 4 known specimens of the 12-sized, nickel sized piece:

1. (WB LA-P-5.1) Albert Kramer specimen (first published in May 1962 issue of Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine)
2. (WB LA-P-5.2) Joe Zaffern, Greg Mellon, Steve Davis (Numismatic Auctions LLC) specimen (first published in 1998 article of Ken Potter's Educational Series)
3. (WB LA-P-5.3) Jonathan Brecher specimen (first published in 2010 Collectors Universe message boards)
4. (WB LA-P-5.4) eBay specimen

Additionally, there is one known specimen of the cent sized piece:

5. (WB LA-P-1.1) Jesse Patrick specimen (first published in May 1980 issue of The Numismatist)

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WB LA-P-5.1. Nickel-size Kramer Specimen

The earliest known appearance of these pieces is in 1962 when Albert Kramer posted an article in the May 1962 issue of the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine asking for information on this piece. A copy of the magazine issue was recently acquired and scanned by the author.

Photo courtesy of Albert Kramer. Scan performed by John Wang.

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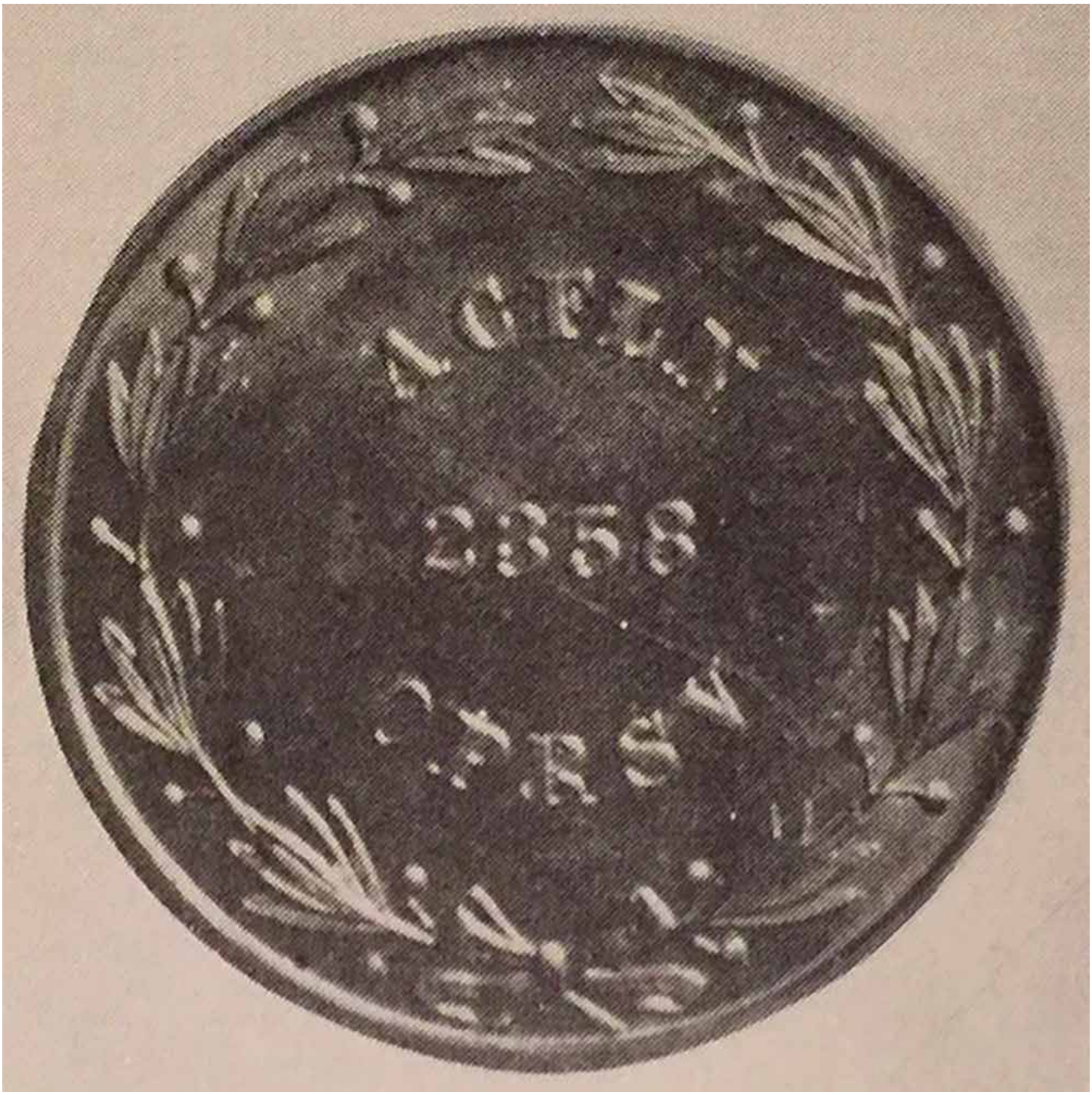

Photo courtesy of Albert Kramer. Scan performed by John Wang.

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WB LA-P-5.2. Nickel-size Zaffern-Mellon-Davis Specimen

Ken Potter's 1998 article mentions the discovery of the Joe Zaffern specimen, which was subsequently acquired by Greg Mellon and most recently sold by Steve Davis of Numismatic Auctions LLC. The 2023 photos of the show the same reverse diagnostics as the Zaffern-Mellon specimen in Potter's 1998 article.

These photos of the Zaffern-Mellon specimen are taken by Numismatic Auctions LLC. In discussion with Steve Davis of Numismatic Auctions, this specimen has a copper-nickel color.

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WB LA-P-5.3. Nickel-size Brecher Specimen

Jonathan Brecher posted photos of this specimen to the Collectors Universe message forums on July 30, 2010 in the following thread and described the piece as likely being copper-plated aluminum where the “obverse and reverse are bright copper color, while the edge is aluminum color. It is very light, 1.478 grams, and 20.8 mm diameter. It is 12-sided.”

Forum thread:

https://forums.collectors.com/discussion/783305/acfln-2358-oprsv-general-motors-roller-press-cent-with-libertas-americana-obverse/p1

Photo courtesy of Jonathan Brecher

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WB LA-P-5.4. Nickel-size eBay Specimen

This specimen was sold on eBay. The owner indicated that he had owned it for over 40 years and had not been able to learn much about it.

Photo courtesy of eBay and WorthPoint

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WB LA-P-1.1: Cent-size Patrick Specimen

Currently, there is one cent-sized specimen known, owned by Jesse Patrick, owner of the Patrick Mint. It was published by Jesse in 1997 and by Ken Potter in 1998. As noted, this piece has more similarity in the nonsensical text when compared to the GM roller press experimental patterns: "ACFH KOPRW 2358". The piece is offered at $3,495.00.

This piece first appeared in the August 1979 and May 1980 issues of The Numismatist, followed by the Jan 1995 FUN Convention, a 1997 Patrick Mint article and the 1998 Ken Potter article.

Photo courtesy of Jesse Patrick

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In addition to Jesse Patrick's photos of this piece, the photos from the 1980 issue of The Numismatist are also available.

Photo courtesy of David E. Schenkman and The Numismatist

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Pollock-4060: GM Roller Press Pattern

For reference, images of Frank Gasparro’s Lady Liberty GM Roller Press pattern are included.

Photo courtesy of PCGS TrueView

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26mm Pennsylvania LYPPE Grinolds Specimen

In the July 23, 2017 issue of E-Sylum, Volume 20, Number 30, Dick Grinolds posted a piece that has similar markings as Pollock-4060, which is summarized here. The obverse text reads: "LYPPE ES MYSOR SIKHTE ODI G." It has a reeded edge and weighs 7.4 grams. The diameter is 26mm which is slightly larger than a Washington Quarter with a diameter of 24.3 mm and the 1884 Pennsylvania Bi-Centennial medal with a diameter of 25 mm.

The reverse has the Coat of Arms of Pennsylvania, in what looks very similar to the central device on the reverse of the 1882 Pennsylvania Bicentennial medal cataloged as Julian CM-18. A speculation is that CM-18 was done with a two-part die and the that the center portion of the Coat of Arms is the same on this piece and CM-18 as the latter was offered by the U.S. Mint as a product at least until 1969 as (Mint List No. 613).

This piece was shown to John "JD" Dannreuther, Saul Teichman, and Fred Weinberg, none of whom had seen a piece before. According to Dick Grinolds, Fred Weinberg observed "the reeding within the reeding" and the denticles, concluding that neither would preclude it from being a U.S. Mint struck piece.

While not a Libertas Americana piece, this is included to provide a full reference for these nonsense text pieces. Read the article on E-Sylum for more information.

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A comparison of the reverses of this piece and the 1882 Bicentennial Celebration medal was made and posted by Dick Grinolds to E-Sylum as shown below:

Photo courtesy of Dick Grinolds

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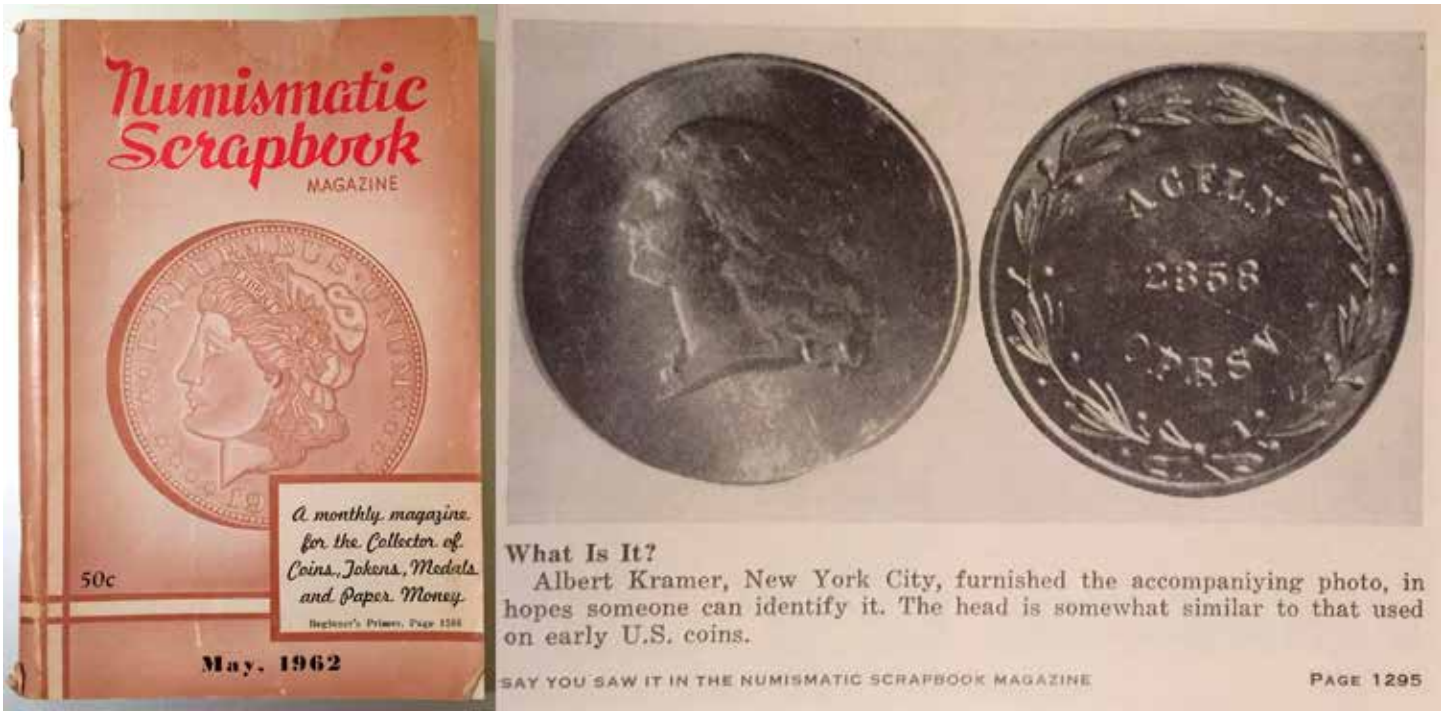
Previous Articles

Many of the references used are easily available online as noted in the next section on References, however, some articles in older magazines are not directly linkable and are included here for reference.

May 1962 Article: Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine

The following is from page 1295 with the following text:

> What Is It?
> Albert Kramer, New York City, furnished the accompanying photo, in hopes someone can identify it. The head is somewhat similar to that used on early U.S. coins.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August 1979 and May 1980 Articles: The Numismatist

David Schenkman and Joseph Levine ran the Exonumia Notebook column in The Numismatist. David wrote the following on page 1685 of the August 1979 and page 1070 of the May 1980 issues.

Old issues of The Numismatist have been digitized by the Newman Numismatic Portal here:

- August 1979, page 1685: https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/book/527595
- May 1980, page 1070: https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/book/527614

August 1979

What Is It?

Several months ago the illustrated item was sent to us by a reader in Florida. He had taken it to several coin shows, and nobody had been able to tell him what it was. We can't either and hope that a more knowledgeable numismatist in whatever specialty it belongs will be able to identify it.

The obverse design certainly is suggestive of some of our country's early coinage; the reverse inscription, ACFH KOPRW 2358, makes no sense at all (at least to me). The piece is 19mm and is struck in a nickel composition (possibly pure nickel — it is strongly attracted to a magnet). — D.E.S.

May 1980

"What Is It" Identified

In the August 1979 "Exonumia Notebook" column a piece was illustrated which was owned by a collector who had been unable to learn anything of its origin. As a result of many letters from readers of this column, the mystery has been solved.

According to our correspondents, the piece was struck in the late 1960s on a roller press developed for the U.S. Mint by General Motors. Dies were made to approximate actual coins, but with meaningless lettering so that they could not be mistaken for real coins. The number struck has not been learned.

Coin World had a story on these "coins," and they illustrated a different variety from ours. Their piece had been found in circulation "in the general area of the GM plant that worked on the press." Evidently some pieces were kept by GM employees. *D.E.S.*

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May 29, 1985 Article: Coin World

In 1985, Eric M. Larson wrote a six and a half page article on the GM roller press experiments for Coin World titled "'Goldfinger' preview for Treasury officials gives birth to Mint, General Motors roller press testing." Near the end of the article there was a short discussion of the 1 cent Libertas Americana piece where Eric expresses his opinion that the 1 cent specimen could not have been a roller press piece since it seems to have been made of steel, which would have been too hard and broken the dies of the roller press. Here is a short excerpt of the article covering the Libertas Americana pattern from page 72 and 75.

California dealer Jesse Patrick recently publicized in *Coin World* and *Numismatic News* an experimental "one cent" issue which he identifies as a product of the GM roller press, but I believe the attribution to GM is incorrect. The reason is that the "Libertas Americana" issue, as Patrick has described it, "appears to be struck from a steel alloy, as it is highly magnetic and steel in color." The piece is further described as measuring about 0.748-inch in diameter and weighing about 2.8 grams. The reverse bears some – but not all – of the same inscriptions which appear on the Lady Head piece, and denticles around the inside rim which do not. The obverse design's similarity to Augustin Dupre's Libertas Americana medal, struck in the late 1700s (but without Liberty cap and pole), has no obvious connection to the GM pieces.

If the Libertas Americana issue is made of steel, that fact would virtually preclude it from having been struck on the roller press at the Tech Center. Putting steel through the roller press would have broken all of the dies "immediately," several former Tech Center employees stated emphatically. "It requires tremendous pressure to strike coins out of steel," one stated, "like 10 times as much as copper. The roller press wasn't designed for steel, wouldn't have worked with steel, and it would have been unthinkable for anybody to have fed steel through it. There wasn't enough pressure to strike coins like that in steel."

A more likely explanation is that the Libertas Americana issue was struck at the Philadelphia Mint, as part of its experimentation with other metals to strike cents. "A steel piece couldn't have been

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Coin World May 29, 1985 article continued.

JESSE PATRICK discovered this piece, which resembles the GM roller press piece series but which author Eric M. Larson believes is not a part. (Photo courtesy Jesse Patrick)

struck at the Tech Center using the [roller press] machinery we had," he said.

Since the reverse of the Libertas Americana piece bears a design used by the Mint for experimental or trial coins, it is reasonable to conclude the dies for this issue were made by the government. But it seems very unlikely that the Libertas Americana issue was produced by the roller press at the Tech Center. In visually comparing the Libertas Americana issue with

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the early roller press issues, it may be tempting for some people to conclude that the Libertas Americana issue was also a roller press issue. At this juncture, there is insufficient evidence for me to conclude that the Libertas Americana piece is an issue from the GM roller press.

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1997 Article: The Patrick Mint

The following is the full text of the 1997 article posted by Jesse Patrick to patrickmint.com, reprinted with his permission.

EXTREMELY RARE & IMPORTANT
EXPERIMENTAL ONE CENT PIECE

UNDATED experimental one cent piece. If not struck at the U.S. Mint itself then undoubtedly struck by a private firm at the mint's direction, possibly from mint prepared dies. The goal of this experiment may have been the development of a new type of coining press and/or metal alloy for use by the U.S. government. The obverse has a plain border with a head of Liberty, facing left, with flowing hair. The design is very similar to the famous Libertas Americana medal, lacking the Liberty Cap and pole, originally designed by Augustin Dupre' near the end of the eighteenth century. Of American coins the device most resembles the 1792 disme. The reverse appears to be a wreath of cotton tied with a bow of ribbon at the base all within a denticled border. Inside the wreath is the nonsense legend in three lines: ACFH / KOPRW / 2358. This plain edge piece is approximately the same thickness as a U.S. penny, weighs 2.8 grams, is 19mm (.748 inches) in diameter and struck in a steel alloy. This last is indicated by a specific gravity of 7.657, the fact that it is highly magnetic and steel in color. The die alignment is the same as a U.S. coin although the reverse is positioned off 20 degrees in a clockwise direction. These dimensions and properties compare closely with the 2.7 grams and 19mm diameter given by Yeoman in his Guide Book of U.S. Coins for the 1943 zinc coated steel cents and form the basis for our conjecture that this interesting coin was intended to be a cent. Sharply struck, about uncirculated condition with some original mint luster remaining. We note two light rust spots in the reverse field over AC and below right ribbon end which serve to identify this specimen. A very important coin and currently the only specimen we know of. Unlisted in the recent Pollack book on U.S. pattern coins.

$3495.00.

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The composition of this piece suggests that it originated during World War II when the U.S. Government was searching for alternative metals to replace the copper used in U.S. coinage, particularly the cent. In spite of this, we think it is far more likely that this coin had its origin in the early 1960's during the coin shortage in this country. At that time General Motors was experimenting with the manufacture of a roller press to dramatically increase coin production for the U.S. Mint.The reverse die closely matches the known General Motors roller pennies in the composition of the wreath and includes the same three lines of nonsense legend. The most notable differences are another, smaller line of nonsense, the addition of the letter G and the lack of reverse denticles around the border.This very interesting and important experimental cent resurfaced at the January, 1995 FUN Convention in Orlando, Florida. Prior to its rediscovery, this identical specimen (identifiable by the above mentioned rust pits) was last reported on page 1070 of the May, 1980 issue of the Numismatist where it was pictured. A photo of a similar piece was submitted by Albert Kramer of New York City and published in the May, 1962 Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine on page 1295. That coin was perhaps struck from the same obverse die but had an entirely different reverse. Both reverses had the same numerals, 2358, but the wreaths differ as well as the border treatment and nonsense legend The whereabouts of that piece is unknown, as is its composition and vital statistics. Other similar General Motors roller pieces, commonly referred to as "pennies", were struck from different obverse dies and are occasionally encountered at coin shows and in auctions. The above specimen is significant because it was struck from different dies than the "pennies" as well as a completely different composition. The piece is unlisted in the recent Pollack book on U.S. pattern coins which features such pieces in an appendix.

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Private Mint News

Private mints and their issues have a long and illustrious history, but it is often hard to assemble, often years later without good documentation. When working with sovereign mints like the United States Mint, there is often a lot of archives and records available to research which is not available for private mints.

To address this, Private Mint News is a new online publication focusing on numismatics from by private mints. Private mint issues or creations, often in the form of tokens and medals called exonumia, is a rich and evolving area, however, research information car be thin on both classic and recent issues, especially the latter. The goal of Private Mint News is to assist in rectifying this situation by documenting and discussing issues from Private Mints of all eras.

Coverage includes private mints issuers of all eras and locations with an initial focus on the United States. Modern issuer coverage will include Daniel Carr of Moonlight Mint, Ron Lands of Gallery Mint Museum, Jared Grove of Grove Minting, Provident Metals, and other issuers. Classic issuers will include issuers of tokens, medals and coins including Civil War Tokens, So-Called Dollars, Territorial and Pioneer coins as well as Private Patterns.

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Certified but Not Graded: Adjustment Strikes, Struck Thrus & Other Mint Errors

BY NGC

There are a few types of error coins that are eligible for NGC certification, but do not receive a grade. Learn more about what coins fall into this category of "MINT ERROR" and why.

There are a few types of error coins that are eligible for NGC certification but do not receive a grade. These coins are simply attributed as MINT ERROR on the certification label without any grade notation. This of course can be a source of questions, and the information here describes which coins fall into this category and why.

There are two basic categories of error coins that are certified by NGC but do not receive a grade. First, coins that, as a result of the error, lack enough detail to be graded. And, second, mint errors that were never struck by the dies. The reason that these mint errors cannot be graded is simple. Strike is a central component of grade and in the absence of this information a precise grade cannot be assigned.

The first category involves a few basic error types: die adjustment strikes, split planchets, and struck thrus (although other errors can be included in this group).

Die adjustment strikes, as the name implies, are used to set the distance and the pressure of the dies to the planchet. In this stage of operation, there can be a noticeable lack of detail to the coin. This lack of detail will prevent the coin from being eligible for grading, although it can be readily and accurately attributed. The edge of a die adjustment strike will be either weak or missing. This is an important difference from a struck thru which has full edge detail.

1976-D half dollar, die adjustment strike, obverse. Low pressure did not allow for all of the details of the coin to be present.

1976-D half dollar, die adjustment strike, reverse.

1976-D half dollar, die adjustment strike, edge view. Note that the reeding is either weak or missing from the edge of the coin.

Coins struck on **split planchets**, when the split occurs before striking, can appear very similar to die adjustment strikes. They will exhibit a varying degree of weakness to the obverse and reverse depending on the thickness of the planchet. This weakness at times will prevent the coin from exhibiting enough detail to be graded. Unlike die adjustment strikes, the edge of the coin will be normally formed but will not be of the proper thickness.

1956-D Lincoln Cent, struck on split planchet.

Next we come to the **struck thru** errors. This group of errors is the most confusing, not only because of the grading issue, but also for attribution. Inherent in the manufacturing of coins are items like oil, grease and dirt. While oil and grease are necessary to allow machines to function properly. They become a detriment when they interfere with the minting process. A struck thru is quite simply when a foreign substance comes between die and planchet (coin blank) at time of striking.

The occurrence of struck thrus on circulating coinage is not rare, and minor examples are fairly common. Although these coins may not have been manufactured "perfectly," the reality is that the mint does not hold these coins back from circulation. Most of these "minor flaws" will never be noticed by the general public and once circulated they become even less apparent. For this reason, NGC does not certify minor struck thrus as being mint errors if they are minor and therefore acceptable within mint tolerances. This is especially true with the statehood quarter series. NGC does not attribute coins where only one letter or number is obstructed, or when the obstruction is very weak (or partially struck thru which makes a small portion of the design visible but "blurry"). Obstructions that impede a large area or are significant will be noted. The location and size of the struck thru will determine whether there is enough detail to grade the coin, or if it will simply be attributed as a mint error without grade. Some of the most dramatic struck through mint errors are not graded.

The reverse of a Wheat Cent, struck thru grease, rendering some portion of the design blurry or obliterating it completely.

The obverse of a Proof 2005-S Jefferson Nickel, with a large struck thru of foreign material. The highly mirrored surface of proof coinage makes struck thrus of this type especially dramatic.

Obverse of a State Quarter struck through grease. Note the resemblance to a die adjustment strike, except the reeded edge is full. Struck thrus can also affect just one side of a coin, while a die adjustment strike will show weakness on both.

Reverse of a Virginia State Quarter, struck thru.

A 2006 Silver Eagle, most likely struck thru plastic die cap. The matte-like surface of this issue makes such errors especially dramatic.

Lastly, we come to **blanks** and **planchets**. Since these items never made it to the coining press and struck, they lack any detail. Therefore, blanks and planchets are attributed by NGC but never graded.

A Lincoln Cent planchet.

A Sacagawea Dollar or Presidential Dollar planchet.

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The Society of U.S. Pattern Collectors is dedicated to the study of many of the rarest coins struck at the U.S. Mint: patterns, die trials and experimental pieces.

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For those of you not familiar with this fascinating area of numismatics, patterns are prototypes for coins that, for the most part, were never approved for circulation. Most patterns are very rare, some unique, and others unknown outside of museums.

A good place to start learning about these pieces is our Beginner's Corner which includes a page on How to use this Website or the Photo Gallery which contains examples of many of the different pattern issues.

The United States Mint produced more than 1000 different patterns, as well as many die trials and experimental pieces. Despite the great rarity of many of these individual items, the great variety makes the series surprisingly collectable.

There are relatively few collectors specializing in United States pattern coinage. Most of these collectors target specific areas. For example, there are collectors who specialize in Indian Cent patterns, others collecting Morgan dollar patterns, and so on.

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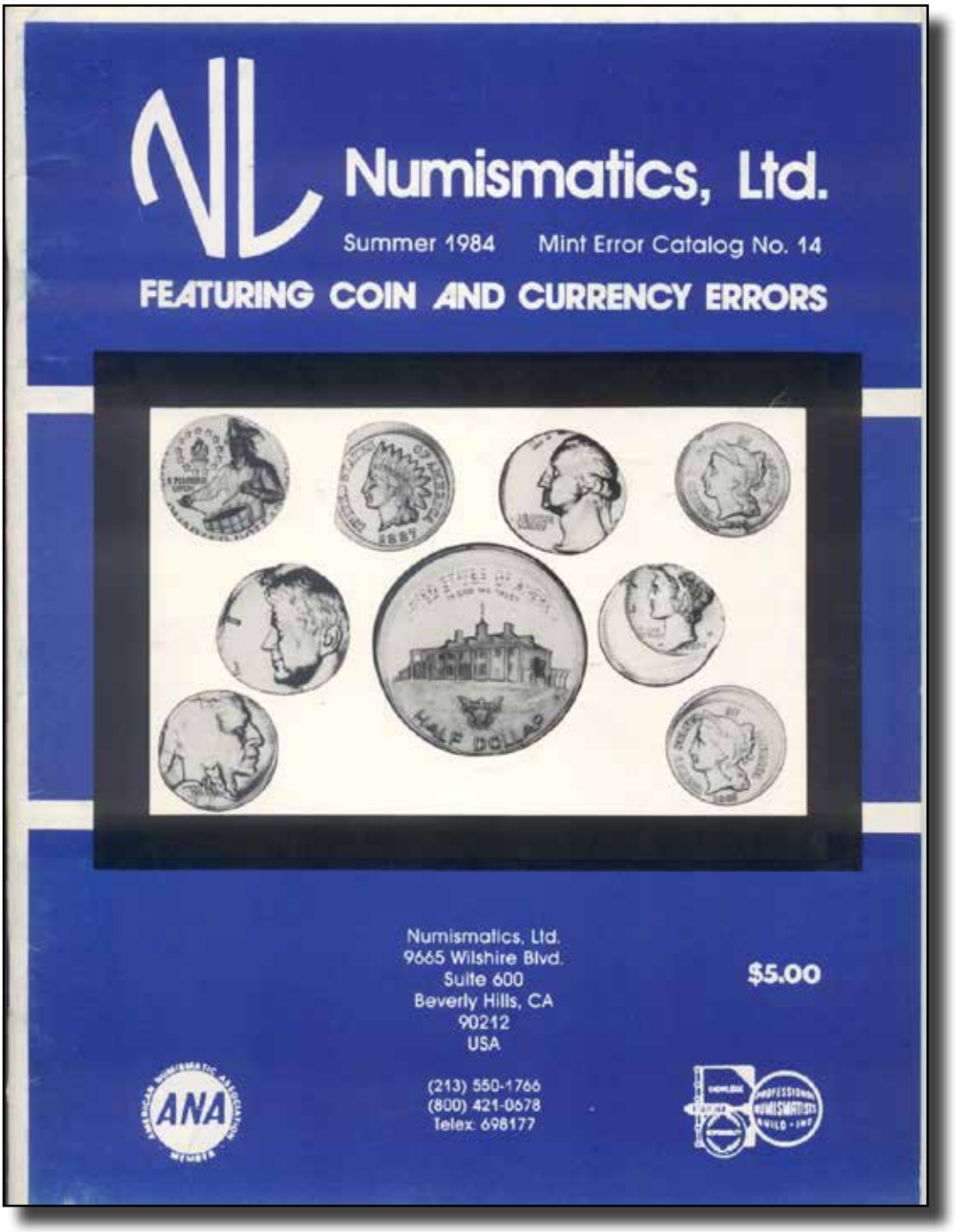
1984 Mint Error Catalog

Editor's Note: *Here is another in a series of Mint Error Catalogs from Fred Weinberg when he was with Numismatics, Ltd. It is always exciting to compare current mint error prices with those from decades ago. Mint Error News Magazine thanks Fred Weinberg (fredweinberg.com) for sharing these with our readers.*



CENTS

1867 Indian Cent
Repunched Date. Scarce. Uncirculated.
$150.00

1873 Indian Cent XF
Doubled die obverse. Very scarce. $145.00

1917-P
Lincoln Cent
Double die obverse.
Choice Red BU.
Very rare variety.
$275.00

CENTS

1983 Zinc Cent
Double struck with two dates.
$30.00

N.D. Copper Cent
"Mickey Mouse" saddle strike.
$30.00

1962-D "Lucky Cent"
Obverse is laminated. An unusual item. Red BU. $20.00

1871 Two Cents
Struck on a shield nickel, very rare. XF. $950.00

Obverse

Reverse

N.D. Two Cent Piece
Counter-brockage obverse and reverse with retained cud.
$400.00

1865 3¢ Nickel
Full cud on obverse at 6:00.
TCNC-1865-17. Ch AU
$35.00

1866 Shield Nickel
Repunched date. Very scarce die variety "118866". XF $120.00

1868 Shield Nickel
Split planchet on obverse. Two pieces. $30.00

N.D. Shield Nickel
Struck on **a three cent nickel** planchet. Extremely rare. AU.
$1,250.00

1866 Shield Nickel
Ragged end clip. Ch AU.
$120.00

1865 Three Cent Nickel
15% off-center at 7:00.
XF $150.00

CENTS

1865 Indian Cent
20% off-center at 9:00.
AU Scarce date $85.00

1802 Large Cent
Reverse cud at 1:00.
VG $30.00

1902 Indian Cent
5% off-center at 7:00.
XF+ $35.00

1857 Flying Eagle
Reverse cud at 10:00.
FEC-1857-1RB.
Fine. $45.00

1887 Indian Cent
Large straight clip. BU.
Scarce $85.00

1906 Indina Cent
5% off-center at 5:00.
Ch. AU $45.00

1903 Indian Cent
Clipped planchet. Red
BU, very nice. $70.00

LINCOLN CENTS

1916-P UNC
30% off-center at 1:00.
Scarce. $65.00

1917-D BU
10% off-center at 2:00.
Rare. $50.00

1919-P BU
10% off-center at 1:00.
$35.00

1919-P AU
50% off-center at 12:00
Far off. $75.00

1919-D Ch. AU
10% off-center at 2:00.
Scarce. $45.00

1919-S XF+
35% off-center at 1:00.
$35.00

1919-S XF
50% off-center at 1:00.
$40.00

1920-P BU
20% off-center at 11:00
Red and brown.
$45.00

LINCOLN CENTS

1921 Ch. AU
Large broadstrike out of collar and P.C.
$40.00

1927-P XF
Choice double struck cent. $120.00

1930-D Ch. BU
10% off-center at 10:00
Choice. Red BU.
$55.00

(1943) Steel Cent.
100% brockage on obverse. Scarce. $90.00

1953-D AU
Struck on a silver dime planchet. $175.00

1956-P Silver Cent
Lincoln cent struck on a silver dime blank.
$140.00

N.D. Zinc Cent
"Pointed off-center".
$10.00

1964-D Red
Very large broadstrike.
$12.00

1974-D Ch BU
Large obverse cud. LC-74-D4A. $20.00

1975-D BU
Deep capped die piece.
$175.00

1980-P 1981-D 1981-P

Struck on a clad dime planchet.
BU. Your choice. $75.00

1982-D BU
Flip-over double strike.
$30.00

1982-D BU
Large clip and broadstruck. $22.00

(1983) Zinc Cent
"Mickey Mouse" saddle strike. $27.00

1900 Liberty Nickel
10% off-center at 1:00. AU.
$110.00

LIBERTY NICKELS

1907 Liberty Nickel
Struck on an (Indian) cent planchet. AU. Very scarce.
$800.00

1907 Liberty Nickel
Double struck at 9:00. Die struck both sides. $650.00

1912-D Liberty Nickel
10% off-center at 9:00. Rare "D" mint errors. VF/XF. $175.00

N.D. Liberty Nickel
65% off-center at 7:00. Choice BU. $600.00

BUFFALO NICKEL ERRORS

1913-P Type I
Large broadstruck out of collar and uncentered. Scarce. UNC.
$125.00

1916-D Buffalo Nickel
5% off-center at 11:00. AU.
$50.00

1920-P Buffalo Nickel
50% off-center at 12:00. BU.
$450.00

1920 Buffalo Nickel
Struck on a silver dime planchet. Extremely rare. AU. $1,500.00

1924 AU
15% off-center at 7:00. $50.00

1927 Ch. AU
Struck on a cent planchet. Rare.
$500.00

1929 AU
Struck on a silver dime planchet.
Extremely rare. $1,500.00

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1934 AU
Struck on a cent planchet.
$500.00

N.D. Ch. BU
Straight end clip. Nice piece.
$80.00

N.D. BU
50% off-center at 12:00.
$350.00

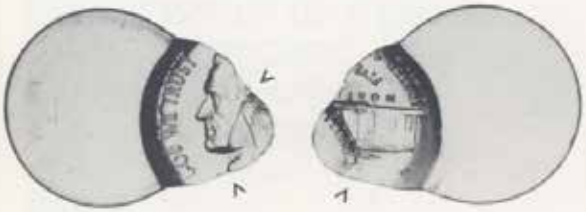
1936-P BU
10% off-center. Gem toned.
$125.00

JEFFERSON NICKELS

1953-P BU
40% brockage obverse. Scarce early date. $50.00

N.D. BU
Huge curved clip.
$65.00

1980 Red BU
Struck on a cent planchet.
$35.00



N.D.
70% off-center. Double struck on off-center portion. $45.00

1965
Absolutely **huge** multi-struck and broadstruck. **Neat distortion.**
$120.00

#1

1982-D 3 PIECE SET

#1 - Cud on obverse at 12:00 - 1:00.

#2 - Same, with clashed dies on reverse.

#3 - Same as #2, but **double struck**.

Very Interesting $85.00

#2

#3

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1856
Seated Half-Dime (Silver).
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10% off-center at 7:00.
AG $65.00

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1944 BU
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1944-S Ch. BU
Very large clip at 3:00.
Scarce. $65.00

1945-P BU
Broadstruck out of the collar. $30.00

1945 XF
35% off-center at 10:00
$60.00

N.D. Ch. BU
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1975-D Reverse Cap Die
Multi-struck. Dark areas in photo are the deep edges. Quarter size - Dramatic.
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N.D. Seated Quarter
40% off-center at 12:00.
Very rare. VF. $450.00

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1875-S Twenty Cents

5% off-center at 7:00. XF/AU. Extremely rare. 2 - 3 are known in this series. Also a major repunched mintmark - thrown in for free. $950.00

WASHINGTON QUARTER ERRORS

Bicentennial Quarter.
Proof struck on a Philippine 10 Centavos planchet. German silver weight: 30.86 grains. Diameter: 17.90 M.M. Possibly unique
$650.00

1976-P Bicentennial Quarter
Struck on a nickel planchet. Scarce. Gem BU.
$200.00

1978-P Gem BU
Struck on a nickel planchet.
$35.00

1979-P
Struck 70% off-center on the obverse clad shell only.
$45.00

1981-P
50% off-center at 10:00. Ch. BU.
$30.00

1982-D
Double struck at 9:00. Uniface reverse.
BU $70.00

WASHINGTON QUARTER ERRORS

1983-P
60% off-center at 11:00. Gem BU.
$40.00

No Date
Struck on a cent planchet. Red BU.
$90.00

A. $12.00

B. $12.00

C. $20.00

D. $12.00

E. $12.00

F. $12.00

1983 Off-Center Washington Quarters.
Choice BU.

WASHINGTON QUARTER ERRORS

1962 **Proof Quarter**
Doubled die obverse. "Liberty" is strongly doubled. "In God We Trust" and date are also doubled. $85.00

1969-D BU
Extremely broadstruck, Type I blank, straight clip.
$35.00

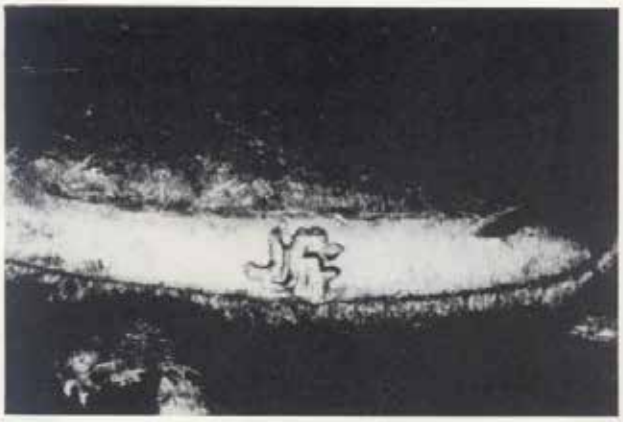
1970-D Red BU
Reverse clad layer split before striking. $20.00

N.D.-"D" Ch. BU
Struck on a **silver** dime planchet. $85.00

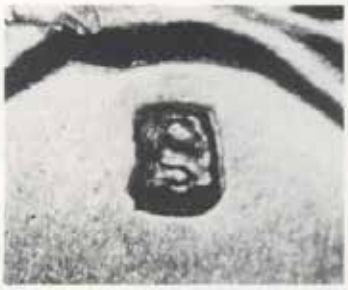
1965 Large broadstruck out of collar.
Your choice $12.00 each.

1974-D Red BU
Struck on a cent planchet.
$80.00

WASHINGTON QUARTER ERRORS



1943-S Washington Quarter
Doubled die obverse. Gem toned. BU. Scarce this nice. $450.00



1950-S/D Washington Quarter
Choice BU. Scarce over mintmark, strong S over D. $400.00

HALF DOLLAR ERRORS

1853 Seated Liberty Half Dollar. Nice clipped planchet at 7:00. AU 55/55. The finest grade and largest clip known for AU arrows and rays half. $600.00

1897-S Barber Half
3% off-center at 7:00. There is no reeding whatsoever. XF+ $85.00

1918-P Walking Liberty Half Dollar
12% off-center at 11:00. Original Gem BU. Extremely rare. $1,500.00

1959-P Franklin Half
Struck on a silver quarter planchet. BU. $215.00

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KENNEDY HALF DOLLAR ERRORS

1964-P Clipped planchet.
BU $15.00

1964-P Partial collar.
Broadstruck also. BU $70.00

1964-P Partial collar.
5% indented strike at 11:00. Scarce.
$60.00

1964
Struck on a nickel planchet.
BU $250.00

1967
Struck on a
silver quarter planchet.
Ch. BU $175.00

1964-P
Struck on a
clad quarter planchet.
Ch. BU $85.00

1971-D
Struck on a nickel planchet.
UNC $200.00

KENNEDY HALF DOLLAR ERRORS

1974
Huge curved clip. Ch. BU. Rare with this large of a clip.
$150.00

(1976) Bicentennial Half
Struck on a brass washer. "Reeding" on outside edge found in an original bag in Texas in 1976. Absolutely spectacular and unique mint error. $3,000.00

1976 Bicentennial Half
Struck on a cent planchet. UNC. Rare. $350.00

1979-P
Struck on a Susan B. Anthony $1.00 planchet. $300.00

1983-P
5% off-center at 12:00. Gem, proof-like, BU. Beautiful.
$25.00

No Date
Struck on a clad dime planchet. Strong clashed dies. Ch. BU.
$200.00

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1982-P Kennedy Halves
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1922
"Earring" die break. Ch. AU+. Scarce.
$60.00

1921-P
5% off-center at 7:00. UNC.
$450.00

1921-P
Heavy cracked planchet through obverse and reverse. Ch. AU. $75.00

1921-S
Broadstruck out of the collar.
$450.00

1922-P
Clipped planchet at 7:00. CH. BU.
$60.00

IKE DOLLAR ERRORS

1972-P Ike Dollar
Large broadstrike out of the collar. No reeding. Perfect centering. Ch. BU
$120.00

1976-D Bicentennial Ike
10% off-center at 11:00. Few scratches on the reverse.
$275.00

1978-P Ike Dollar
15% off-center at 11:00. Ch. BU.
$195.00

1978-P Ike Dollar
10% off-center at 11:00. Ch. BU.
$135.00

IKE DOLLAR ERRORS

No Date — Ike Dollar
20% off-center at 6:00. Ch. BU.
$175.00

1978-P — Ike Dollar
10% off-center at 7:00. Ch. BU.
$135.00

1978-P — Ike Dollar
15% off-center at 7:00. Ch. BU.
$195.00

1978-P — Ike Dollar
5% off-center at 9:00. Ch. BU.
$110.00

IKE DOLLAR ERRORS

1977-D — Ike Dollar
40% off-center at 11:00. Ch. BU.
$950.00

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If we can be of assistance in building your collection or type set of mint errors, it would be our pleasure.

1976-D — Bicentennial Ike
Double struck at 6:00. Die struck both sides. Very scarce. BU
$350.00

1978-P — Ike Dollar
5% off-center at 11:00. Ch. BU.
$110.00

(1978) — Ike Dollar
Struck on a half dollar planchet. Rare.
$850.00

1973-S — Ike Dollar
Clipped planchet. **Silver.** Rare.
$100.00

SUSAN B. ANTHONY DOLLAR ERRORS

1979-D
60% off-center at 1:00.
$800.00

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1979-S Ch. BU.
Triple clip. Scarce "S" mint error.
$125.00

1979-S
Straight end clip.
BU $60.00

1979-D
10% off-center.
$175.00

MEDAL ERRORS

1982-S Washington Commemmorative
Proof - Double struck and off-center. The only known error of this issue. $1,500.00

SESQUI
Centennial Medal
Struck off-center. Unusual bronze Treasure Island Doubloon.
UNC $35.00

PHILIPPINE ERRORS

1944-D Philippine
20 Centavos. Broadstruck at the Denver mint. $20.00

1966 Philippine
10 Centavos. Ch. BU.
$10.00

ANCIENT SILVER COIN ERRORS

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ERRORS

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Circa 111-110 B.C.
T. Manlius Mancinus Silver Denarius. Full first strike brockage. $200.00

Roman Republic
Circa 114-113 B.C.
Manlius Aemilius Cepidus Silver Denarius.
Full first strike brockage. $200.00

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A Spectacular German Mint Error

by Martin Wettmark

Here is a spectacular German mint error that I wanted to share with the readers of Mint Error News.

It is a German 1 Pfennig from former West Germany and is from 1988, two years before the unification of the two parts of Germany.

As you can see, the coin has four obvious errors. First an off-center strike and second a clipped planchet. It also has an off-center double strike and the second strike is a brockage! I have not seen many error coins with so many clear "dramatic" errors as this one before.

A Spectacular German Mint Error

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A Selection of My Favorite Mint Errors, Patterns & Die Trials - Part Four -

by Mike Byers

Here are some more of my favorite Mint Errors, Patterns & Die Trials that I have handled throughout my 50 year career.

1898 Barber Quarter
Obverse Die Cap & Brockage
PCGS MS 62
UNIQUE

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Experimental State Quarters
The Only Known Complete Set of
All 1999 Dated Experimental State Quarters
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2000-P Jefferson Nickel
Struck on 1978 Denver Cent
ANACS MS 63 RB
1 of 2 Known

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$1 U.S. Gold Type 2 Full Brockage Reverse
PCGS AU 55
UNIQUE

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Walking Liberty Half Dollar Struck on a Steel 1¢ Planchet
PCGS MS 64
UNIQUE

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1965 1D
Struck on Gold Planchet
PCGS MS 62

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1920 Standing Liberty Quarter
Struck on Peru 20C Planchet
NGC MS 60 FH
UNIQUE

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1804 $2½ Capped Bust To Right
Double Struck
First Strike Off-Center
NGC Fine 15

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Peace Dollar Double Struck
2nd Strike 80% Off-Center
NGC MS 62

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1877 $50 Gilt J-1549
NGC PF 64+ Cameo CAC

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1851 3¢ Obverse & Reverse Die Trials on Cardboard

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1838 $5 Die Trial Splasher
J-A1838-6
PCGS MS 65
UNIQUE

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1872 $20 Liberty Head Obverse Die

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Unique SPECIMEN Silver Certificate Set

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2000-P Jefferson Nickel Struck With Two Obverse Dies
"Two-Headed"
PCGS MS 65
UNIQUE

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1976-S Jefferson Nickel Obverse Impression Struck Into Center of $1 Planchet (Proof Nickel/Dime Mule)
NGC
UNIQUE

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Walking Liberty Half Dollar
Struck 50% Off-Center
Finest Known & Most Off-Center
PCGS MS 63

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Martha Washington Dollar Test Piece
Judd 2185
NGC MS 62

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1875-S Seated Liberty Half Dollar
Struck 20% Off-Center
Finest Known & Second Most Off-Center
PCGS MS 62

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1796 $10
NGC MS 62

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1806 $5
NGC MS 65

https://mikebyers.com/1887093-001.html

1812 $5
NGC MS 65

https://mikebyers.com/1776966-015.html

1813 $5
NGC MS 65 CAC

https://mikebyers.com/1887203-001.html

1799 $10
NGC MS 64

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"S" Walking Liberty Half Dollar
Double Struck 50% Off-Center on 25¢ Planchet
PCGS MS 65
UNIQUE

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1945 Walking Liberty Half Dollar
Struck on 10¢ Planchet
NGC MS 64
UNIQUE

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1921-S Morgan Dollar
Struck 45% Off-Center
NGC MS 63

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DISCOVERY COIN: 1806 $5 Capped Bust to Right Heraldic Eagle, Pointed 6, 8X5 Stars Triple Struck Rotated 90° PCGS AU 50

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1829/1823 Great Britain Half Sovereign Proof Gold Mule 1 of 2 Known PCGS PR 63 Cameo

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1865 2¢ Deep Obverse Die Cap
Brockage Reverse
PCGS MS 64 RB

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SBA Dollar & Sacagawea Dollar
Transitional Mated Pair
PCGS

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United States $20 1882 Obverse Die

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1944 50¢
Struck On Silver 25¢ Planchet
PCGS MS 65

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Unique 1884-CC Morgan Dollar Mated Pair
Split After Strike
PCGS MS 64

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1850 $5 Dubosq & Co. Die Trial
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Sincerely,
Donald H. Kagin, Ph.D./Numismatics
President
Enclosure

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1852 D $5
Broadstruck
NGC AU 58
UNIQUE

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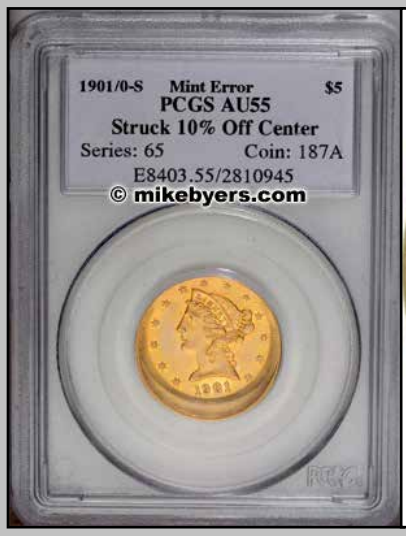
1901/0-S $5 Liberty Gold
Struck 10% Off-Center
PCGS AU 55



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1904 $20 Liberty Gold
Double Struck in Collar
PCGS MS 63

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Pair of 1806 Draped Bust Quarters
Obverse & Reverse Brockages
PCGS VF 30
UNIQUE

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1859 Indian Head Cent
Obverse Struck on an 1857 Seated Half Dime
PCGS MS 63

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1873 Seated Half Dollar With Arrows
Brockage Reverse / Huge Broadstrike
PCGS XF 45

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1795 Flowing Hair Dollar
Two Leaves Variety
Struck on Flawed Planchet
ICG MS 60

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Unique NGC Set of Four Paraguay Gold Overstrikes

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1865 $1 Indian Gold Proof
Triple Struck Reverse
PCGS PR 64 Cameo

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1887 $3 Indian Gold Proof
Triple Struck Rotated
PCGS PR 63 Cameo

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1887 $3 Indian Gold Proof
Triple Struck
NGC PR 63 Cameo

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1904 $20 Liberty Gold
Double Struck
ANACS MS 60 Proof-Like

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Pair of Barber Dime Die Caps
Obverse and Reverse
PCGS AU 55
UNIQUE

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1924 Standing Liberty Quarter
Double Struck
ANACS AU 55

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"Two Headed & Two Tailed" Euro 6 Piece Set
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Germany - Federal Republic 5 Cent Euro Two-Headed Off-Metal Pattern
Struck with Two Obverse Dies On a Copper-Nickel Planchet
PCGS SP 63
1 of Only 2 Known

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Indian Cent Struck on Half Dime Planchet
Uniface Obverse
PCGS MS 63
UNIQUE

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Barber Half
Full Obverse Brockage
PCGS AU 58

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Indian Head Cent
Deep Obverse Die Cap
PCGS MS 64

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1978 Canadian Two Tailed Cent Die Cap
PCGS MS 64 RB

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1876 Indian Cent
Struck on a 3¢ Nickel Planchet
NGC MS 64

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1797 Draped Bust Large Cent
Double Struck
NGC MS 65 BN

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1920 Buffalo Nickel
Struck on Copper Planchet
NGC AU 55

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Draped Bust Dollar
Struck 15% Off-Center
PCGS VF 35

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1871 3¢ Nickel
Struck on 1¢ Stock
NGC MS 62 BN

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1818/5 Cap Bust Quarter
Struck 5% Off-Center
NGC MS 65

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- Updated October 2025 -

This price guide is brought to you by Mint Error News. It has been compiled by many of the top major mint error dealers.

This price guide is a guide. Prices fluctuate due to the date, grade, eye appeal and how dramatic the striking error is. Rarity is also a factor. The price is sometimes based on the rarity and grade of the type of coin as well as how rare the error is. The price can also vary depending on whether two collectors are bidding for the same rare major mint error. When purchasing a mint error, it is important to use multiple resources to determine value, as there are many mint errors that do not fit into one category.

Proof Errors (Updated October 2025)

Proof coins are struck by technicians who hand feed the blanks into special presses. They are produced, examined, and packaged using extreme quality control. It is very unusual to find major proof errors. A few broadstrikes, off-centers, double strikes in collars and off-metals have been known to be found in sealed proof sets. Proof errors are aggressively sought after by many error collectors.

A very small group of Proof errors recently came from a collection that was auctioned by the State of California. The U.S. Secret Service inspected and released this collection to the State of California determining that it was legal to own. The State of California then auctioned the collection and it has been dispersed since the sale.

Denomination	Broadstrikes	Die Trials	Double/Triple Strikes	Off-Center Strikes	Partial Collar Errors
Proof Lincoln Cent	$500	$1,000	$1,500	$2,000	$500
Proof Jefferson Nickel	$1,000	$1,000	$2,500	$2,000	$1,000
Proof Clad Dime	$1,000	$1,500	$2,500	$2,500	$1,250
Proof Clad Quarter	$1,000	$1,500	$2,500	$2,500	$1,250
Proof Clad Half	$2,500	$2,000	$5,000	$1,500	$2,000
Proof Ike Dollar	$15,000	-	$25,000	-	$4,000
Presidential Dollar	-	-	-	-	3 Known

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Broadstrikes (Updated October 2025)

A broadstruck error occurs when a coin is struck without the collar to form the rim and edge that is part of the shape of the coin. Coins can be broadstruck on either type one or type two planchets. When a coin is broadstruck the blank being fed into the collar will spread and distort outward as it is being struck because the collar isn't in the correct position to retain it.

Denomination	(Small) XF/AU	(Small) Unc	(Large) XF/AU	(Large) Unc
Large Cent	$150	$300	$400	$1,500
Flying Eagle Cent (1857 – 1858)	$1,000	$2,500	$1,500	$7,500
Indian Cent	$50	$150	$200	$350
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	$50	$150	$100	$250
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$40	$100	$75	$200
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	$750	N/A	$1,000
3 Cent Nickel	$250	$1,000	$400	$1,500
3 Cent Silver	$1,000	$3,500	$1,500	$5,000
Shield Nickel	$400	$1,250	$1,000	$2,500
Liberty Nickel	$150	$300	$200	$600
Buffalo Nickel	$100	$200	$200	$500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$100	$200	$200	$500
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	$750	N/A	$1,000
Seated Half Dime Legend	$500	$1,500	$1,000	$2,500
Seated Dime Legend	$500	$1,500	$1,000	$2,500
Barber Dime	$150	$250	$200	$400
Mercury Dime	$40	$150	$150	$250
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	$750	N/A	$1,000
Barber Quarter	$600	$1,250	$1,000	$2,500
Standing Liberty Quarter	$2,000	$4,000	$3,000	$6,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$75	$150	$100	$250
State Quarter	N/A	$25	N/A	$50
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	$750	N/A	$1,000
Barber Half	$1,000	$2,000	$2,000	$4,000
Walking Liberty Half	$3,000	$5,000	$4,000	$7,000
Franklin Half	$1,500	$3,000	$2,000	$4,000
Kennedy Half Silver	$150	$250	$200	$300
Kennedy Half Clad	$40	$60	$50	$75
Proof Clad Half	N/A	$1,000	N/A	$2,000
Morgan Dollar	$200	$500	$400	$1,000
Peace Dollar	$5,000	$7,500	$6,000	$10,000
IKE Dollar	$100	$150	$150	$200
SBA Dollar	$50	$75	$100	$200
Sac Dollar	N/A	$300	N/A	$1,000
Presidential Dollar	N/A	$1,500	N/A	$2,500

Partial Collars (Updated October 2025)

Partial collar strikes occur when there is a malfunction of the striking press. This causes the collar to be in an incorrect position. The lower die (usually the reverse die) is recessed in the collar. This allows the coin which is going to be struck to have a formed rim. After a coin is struck the lower die raises upwards, pushing the struck coin out of the collar and ejecting it. If a blank entering the collar is not properly seated, it will only have partial reeding as it is struck. The edge of this coin will have a partial reeding and a partial blank surface area. Recently, the Mint has installed new machinery where either die can be installed in either position.

Denomination	XF/AU	Unc
Large Cent	$100	$200
Flying Eagle Cent (1857 – 1858)	$500	$1,500
Indian Cent	$35	$100
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	$30	$100
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$25	$50
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	$750
3 Cent Nickel	$150	$500
3 Cent Silver	$250	$750
Shield Nickel	$200	$600
Liberty Nickel	$50	$150
Buffalo Nickel	$50	$75
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$40	$60
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	$1,000
Seated Half Dime Legend	$750	$1,500
Seated Dime Legend	$500	$1,250
Barber Dime	$75	$150
Mercury Dime	$30	$100
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	$1,250
Barber Quarter	$300	$750
Standing Liberty Quarter	$1,250	$2,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$40	$75
State Quarter	N/A	$15
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	$1,500
Barber Half	$1,000	$1,500
Walking Liberty Half	$1,500	$3,500
Franklin Half	$500	$1,000
Kennedy Half Silver	$50	$100
Kennedy Half Clad	$20	$30
Proof Clad Half	N/A	$2,000
Morgan Dollar	$150	$300
Peace Dollar	$1,000	$2,500
IKE Dollar	$50	$100
SBA Dollar	$20	$30
Sac Dollar	N/A	$100
Presidential Dollar	N/A	$400
$1 Gold Type 1	$1,000	$2,000
$1 Gold Type 2	$2,000	$3,000
$1 Gold Type 3	$1,000	$2,000
$2½ Liberty	$1,500	$3,000
$2½ Indian	$2,000	$3,000
$3	$5,000	$10,000
$5 Liberty	$4,000	$5,000
$5 Indian	$4,000	$6,000
$10 Liberty	$4,000	$7,500
$10 Indian	$7,500	$10,000
$20 Liberty Type 3	$7,500	$10,000

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Uniface Strikes (Updated October 2025)

Uniface coins occur when there have been two blank planchets in the press at the same time. The other blank will obstruct the die on either the obverse or reverse side, which will prevent it from having that design on the coin. There are many different variations involving uniface errors. In addition to having a 100% blank obverse or reverse, a coin can be struck off-center, with a blank planchet in the collar which will obstruct one side of the off-center. There are also mated pairs which have a combination of multiple errors which can include a side which is uniface. Finally, there are uniface strikes due to a die cap which adhered to the die, forming itself in the shape of a die and striking blank planchets.

Denomination	Uniface Obverse XF	Uniface Obverse Unc	Uniface Reverse XF	Uniface Reverse Unc
Large Cent	$1,500	$4,000	$1,250	$2,000
Indian Cent	$750	$3,000	$700	$2,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$250	$500	$200	$400
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$50	$100	$40	$75
3 Cent Nickel	$1,500	$3,000	$1,250	$2,500
Shield Nickel	$1,750	$4,000	$1,500	$3,000
Liberty Nickel	$2,000	$3,500	$1,500	$3,000
Buffalo Nickel	$2,250	$3,000	$2,000	$2,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$300	$750	$250	$500
Jefferson Nickel	$20	$40	$20	$40
Barber Dime	$2,000	$3,000	$1,500	$2,500
Mercury Dime	$1,500	$2,500	$1,250	$2,250
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$100	$150	$100	$150
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$40	$75	$35	$60
Washington Quarter Silver	$400	$750	$350	$500
Washington Quarter Clad	$100	$125	$75	$100
State Quarter	N/A	$300	N/A	$500
Kennedy Half Clad	$750	$1,000	$500	$750
IKE Dollar	$2,000	$4,000	N/A	$3,000
SBA Dollar	$500	$1,000	N/A	$750
Sac Dollar	$750	$1,500	N/A	$1,000

Bonded Coins

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Bonded coins occur when the feeder system, which supplies blank planchets to the coin press, malfunctions and jams. When this occurs, a struck coin is not properly ejected and another planchet is fed into the collar and is struck. This struck coin will land on top of the previously unejected strike. These coins will then crush and bond together. This may occur many times as more coins bond.

Denomination	2 Planchets	3-4 Planchets	5-10 Planchets
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$5,000	$15,000	–
Lincoln Cent Memorial	$600	$2,000	$5,000 - $10,000
Jefferson Nickel	$1,250	$5,000	$6,000 - $10,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$4,000	$12,500	–
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$1,500	$5,000	$10,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$7,500	–	–
Washington Quarter Clad	$3,000	–	–
State Quarter	$5,000	–	–
Kennedy Half Silver	$12,500	–	–
Kennedy Half Clad	$10,000	–	–
IKE Dollar	–	–	–
SBA Dollar	$10,000	–	–
Sac Dollar	$10,000	–	–

Struck Fragments

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The blanking press takes the coils of metal strips and punches blanks out of it, ejecting the webbing at the other end. The webbing is cut into small scrap pieces to be melted and recycled. Occasionally a scrap piece will be mixed with the blank planchets and struck by the dies. Struck fragments are rare in the larger denominations. These can be uniface or die struck both sides and are very rare on type coins.

Denomination	Uniface	Die Struck Both Sides
Indian Cent	$1,000	$2,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$750	$2,000
Lincoln Cent Memorial	$75	$125
3 Cent Nickel	$3,000	$3,500
Jefferson Nickel	$100	$200
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$500	$1,000
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$150	$250
Washington Quarter Silver	$1,250	$1,500
Washington Quarter Clad	$200	$300
State Quarter	$750	$1,000
Kennedy Half Silver	$1,500	$2,500
Kennedy Half Clad	$750	$1,250
IKE Dollar	$4,000	$6,000
SBA Dollar	$2,000	$3,000
Sac Dollar	$2,000	$4,000

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Mated Pairs (Updated October 2025)

Mated pairs involve two individual coins with different errors that were struck together at the same time. Mated pair error combinations can be found in most error types and come in many shapes and sizes. Mated pairs can be overlapped when one of the coins is struck off-center on top of another coin. Another type involves a brockage where a struck coin was perfectly centered on a blank and restruck. Some mated pairs involve a die cap where the cap and brockage coin are discovered together, but this is a scarce find.

The rarest mated pair type involves two die caps (obverse and reverse) where both dies were capped at the same time and both die caps are mated. This last type is extremely rare and there are only a few known examples of mated pairs involving an obverse die cap and reverse die cap. There are several of these mated pairs known on Kennedy Halves including two dated 1976, which is the Bicentennial year. One of the most spectacular mated pairs involve two Barber Dimes, an obverse die cap mated to a reverse die cap and are unique.

Mated pairs can also involve an off-metal where a smaller blank planchet or smaller struck coin was struck on top of a larger coin. This type is extremely rare. The most spectacular pair known is a double struck Franklin Half which was mated to a Lincoln Cent. The Lincoln Cent blank was on top of the obverse of the struck Franklin Half. This pair was then struck together. It is unique.

Denomination	Overlapping	Full Brockage	Die Cap	2 Die Caps
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$3,500	$4,500	$7,500	–
Lincoln Cent Memorial	$500	$750	$750	$1,250
Liberty Nickel	–	$20,000	–	–
Jefferson Nickel (pre War Time)	–	–	–	$10,000
Jefferson Nickel	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500	$2,500
Barber Dime	–	–	–	$50,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$3,500	$4,000	$4,000	–
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$1,250	$1,500	$2,500	$3,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$5,000	–	–	–
Washington Quarter Clad	$2,000	$2,500	$5,000	$7,500
State Quarter	$4,000	$6,000	$10,000	–
Kennedy Half Silver	$7,500	$7,500	$7,500	$12,500
Kennedy Half Clad	$4,000	$5,000	$6,000	$7,500
Kennedy Half Bicentennial	$6,000	$7,500	$7,500	$10,000
IKE Dollar	$20,000	–	–	–
SBA Dollar	$10,000	$12,500	–	–
Sac Dollar	–	–	–	–

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Transitional Errors (Updated October 2025)

A transitional error occurs when a coin is struck on a planchet from a previous year with different metal composition. The most famous transitional is a 1943 copper cent struck on a 1942 copper blank. 1943 cents were struck in steel because of the copper shortage during World War II. Other famous transitionals include 1965 coinage struck in silver instead of clad.

There are also transitionals struck on blanks for the next year. An example is 1964 coinage in clad instead of silver. Most recently, transitionals were discovered involving the SBA and Sacagawea Dollars of 1999 and 2000. There are eight known 1999 SBA Dollars struck on the brass planchet for the 2000 Sacagawea Dollar, and four known 2000 Sacagawea Dollars struck on a clad planchet for the 1999 SBA Dollar.

Denomination	Off-Metal Planchet	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc – Gem
Lincoln Cent 1943 Transitional	Copper Cent Planchet	$200,000	$250,000	$300,000	$350,000
Lincoln Cent 1944 Transitional	Steel Cent Planchet	$30,000	$50,000	$100,000	$150,000
Lincoln Cent 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	$2,000	$3,000	$3,500	$4,000
Lincoln Cent 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	$2,750	$4,500	$6,000	$7,500
Roosevelt Dime 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$8,500
Roosevelt Dime 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$8,500
Washington Quarter 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$12,500
Washington Quarter 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$8,500
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Half Planchet	$3,500	$4,500	$6,000	$10,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Half Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$10,000
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	$2,000	$3,000	$4,000	$5,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	$7,000	$8,000	$9,000	$10,000
Ike Dollar Transitional	40% Silver Planchet	$2,750	$3,000	$3,500	$5,000
SBA Dollar Transitional	Sacagawea Planchet	N/A	N/A	$7,500	$10,000
Sacagawea Dollar Transitional	SBA Planchet	N/A	N/A	$7,500	$10,000

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U.S. Gold Errors (Updated October 2025)

Major mint errors on U.S. Gold coins are the most prized category of all mint errors. Gold errors are very rare and a few have traded in the $75,000 to $100,000 range. Even a broadstruck U.S. Gold coin can easily sell for $15,000 to $30,000 compared to a broadstruck Cent, Nickel, Dime or Quarter which all sell for well under $10. Many serious collectors of Gold Errors have to wait patiently for months and sometimes even years to acquire that one special piece for their collection.

The prices listed here are for common dates in AU-Unc. Better dates and errors that are in gem condition are worth considerably more.

Denomination	Partial Collar	Broadstruck	Clipped Planchet	3% - 5% Off-Center	10% - 15% Off-Center
$1 Gold Type 1	$2,000	$5,000	$2,000	$3,000	$7,500
$1 Gold Type 2	$3,000	$10,000	$10,000	$10,000	$25,000
$1 Gold Type 3	$2,000	$4,000	$1,500	$3,000	$7,500
$2½ Liberty	$3,000	$7,500	$2,500	$7,500	$15,000
$2½ Indian	$3,000	$7,500	$2,500	$3,000	$7,500
$3 Indian	$5,000	$15,000	$5,000	$15,000	$35,000
$5 Liberty	$4,000	$8,500	$3,000	$7,500	$30,000
$5 Indian	$5,000	$10,000	$3,000	$15,000	$30,000
$10 Liberty	$4,000	$20,000	$3,000	$15,000	$30,000
$10 Indian	$5,000	$20,000	$5,000	$30,000	$60,000
$20 Liberty	$5,000	$20,000	$7,500	$50,000	$125,000
$20 St. Gaudens	–	–	$5,000	–	–
$5 American Eagle	$1,000	$2,000	$750	$2,500	$3,500
$10 American Eagle	$1,250	$2,500	$1,000	$3,000	$3,500
$25 American Eagle	$1,500	$3,000	$1,500	$3,500	$5,000
$50 American Eagle	$2,000	$5,000	$2,000	$5,000	$10,000

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Indents (Updated October 2025)

An indent error occurs when two blanks are fed inadvertently into the same collar, with one blank partly overlaying on top of the other. When the hammer die strikes this combination, the upper blank will be forced into the lower blank, creating a depression which is shaped similar to the upper blank. A scarce type of indent occurs when a blank intended for one denomination lands on top of a blank from a different denomination.

Denomination	10% - 25% XF	30% - 50% XF	10% - 25% Unc	30% - 50% Unc
Large Cent	$300	$600	$750	$2,000
Indian Cent	$250	$500	$400	$750
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$100	$300	$175	$500
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$30	$75	$75	$125
3 Cent Nickel	$500	$1,250	$1,500	$3,000
Shield Nickel	$500	$1,500	$2,000	$3,000
Liberty Nickel	$400	$1,000	$750	$1,500
Buffalo Nickel	$300	$1,000	$600	$2,000
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$200	$400	$400	$750
Jefferson Nickel	$10	$25	$15	$30
Barber Dime	$1,000	$2,000	$1,500	$3,000
Mercury Dime	$300	$750	$500	$1,500
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$30	$60	$50	$100
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$10	$20	$15	$30
Washington Quarter Silver	$100	$200	$150	$300
Washington Quarter Clad	$25	$50	$35	$100
State Quarter	N/A	N/A	$200	$350
Kennedy Half Clad	$150	$300	$200	$400
IKE Dollar	$350	$1,000	$500	$2,500
SBA Dollar	$200	$400	$250	$500
Sac Dollar	$300	$500	$400	$750

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Die Caps (Updated October 2025)

Die caps are caused when a struck coin sticks to the upper hammer die. Once the coin is struck to the die face, the reverse of the struck coin becomes the new die face. When the next blank is fed into the collar and the strike occurs, the reverse design of the adhered struck coin impresses itself into the new blank. This struck coin is a brockage strike. The coin that adhered to the upper die is known as a die cap. This process repeats itself as more coins are struck by the cap. The greater the number of strikes, the higher the cap metal will be pushed around the upper die shaft. Eventually, the cap brakes away from the die in the shape of a thimble.

Denomination	Obverse Cap XF	Obverse Cap Unc	Reverse Cap XF	Reverse Cap Unc
Large Cent	$25,000	$50,000	–	–
Indian Cent 1859	$20,000	$40,000	–	–
Indian Cent 1860-1864	$15,000	$40,000	–	–
Indian Cent 1864-1909	$15,000	$30,000	$2,500	$7,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	–	–	–	–
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$1,000	$2,500	$500	$1,000
Lincoln Cent Memorial	$150	$200	$50	$100
2 Cent Piece	$20,000	$50,000	$15,000	$30,000
3 Cent Nickel	–	–	–	–
Shield Nickel	–	–	–	–
Liberty Nickel	$12,500	$25,000	–	–
Buffalo Nickel (1 Known)	–	$30,000	–	–
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$10,000	–	–	–
Jefferson Nickel	$200	$350	$150	$250
Barber Dime	$15,000	$30,000	$5,000	$10,000
Mercury Dime (2 Known)	$5,000	$7,500	–	–
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$750	$1,250	$500	$750
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$200	$400	$200	$250
Barber Quarter	$20,000	$50,000	–	–
Washington Quarter Silver	$1,500	$4,000	$1,500	$2,000
Washington Quarter Clad	$350	$750	$250	$350
State Quarter	N/A	$1,000	N/A	$600
Kennedy Half Silver	$3,000	$5,000	$2,000	$3,000
Kennedy Half Clad	$2,000	$3,500	$1,500	$2,000
Kennedy Half Bicentennial	$2,500	$4,000	$1,750	$2,500
IKE Dollar	–	$30,000	–	–
SBA Dollar	N/A	$15,000	N/A	$10,000
Sac Dollar	N/A	$15,000	N/A	$15,000

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Die Adjustment Strikes (Updated October 2025)

Die adjustment strikes are also known as die trials. This error occurs when a coin is struck from the press with very little pressure. When the press is being set up and adjusted, extremely weak strikes occur as the strike pressure reaches its optimum level. These die trials are destroyed after being struck and are rarely found in circulation.

Denomination	XF/AU	Unc
Indian Cent	$1,000	$2,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ear	$200	$300
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$750	$1,500
Lincoln Cent Memorial	$50	$75
2 Cent	$5,000	–
Liberty Nickel	$3,000	$5,000
Buffalo Nickel	$4,000	$7,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$1,250	$2,000
Jefferson Nickel	$75	$100
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	$1,000
Barber Dime	$2,500	$3,500
Mercury Dime	$1,000	$1,500
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$350	$500
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$100	$125
Seated Quarter	$4,000	$7,500
Standing Liberty Quarter	$7,500	$15,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$500	$750
Washington Quarter Clad (Pre-State)	$125	$150
State Quarter	N/A	$200
Walking Liberty Half	$2,500	$5,000
Kennedy Half Silver	$500	$750
Kennedy Half Clad	$200	$250
Proof Kennedy Half 40% Silver	N/A	$1,500
Proof Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	$1,000
Morgan Dollar	$1,500	$2,500
Peace Dollar	$7,000	$10,000
IKE Dollar	$300	$400
IKE Dollar Bicentennial	$350	$500
SBA Dollar	N/A	$500
Sac Dollar	N/A	$1,000

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Double Denominations (Updated October 2025)

One of the most expensive, popular, and desired types of errors are the double denominations. This error happens when a coin is struck on a previously struck coin of a smaller denomination. Examples are a cent on a struck dime, and a nickel on a struck cent. The most dramatic are those with considerable design visible from the original strike. There are a few known double denominations with different dates.

Denomination	Struck On	Circulated	AU	Unc
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	Mercury Dime	$6,000	$12,500	$20,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	Roosevelt Dime	$4,000	$5,000	$6,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	Foreign Coin	$2,000	$2,500	–
Lincoln Cent Memorial	Roosevelt Dime Silver	$3,000	$4,500	$6,000
Lincoln Cent Memorial	Roosevelt Dime Clad	N/A	N/A	$750
Lincoln Cent Memorial	Foreign Coin	N/A	$600	$750
Jefferson Nickel	Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$1,500	$2,000	$2,500
Jefferson Nickel	Lincoln Cent Memorial	N/A	$750	$1,000
Jefferson Nickel	Foreign Coin	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500
Jefferson Nickel	Roosevelt Dime	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500
Roosevelt Dime Silver	Foreign Coin	$4,000	$5,000	$7,500
Roosevelt Dime Clad	Foreign Coin	$3,000	$4,000	$5,000
Washington Quarter Silver	Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$3,000	$4,000	$6,000
Washington Quarter Silver	Lincoln Cent Memorial	$2,500	$3,000	$3,500
Washington Quarter Silver	Foreign Coin	$2,500	$3,000	$3,500
Washington Quarter Silver	Jefferson Nickel	$3,000	$4,000	$6,000
Washington Quarter Silver	Roosevelt Dime Silver	$2,500	$3,000	$3,500
Washington Quarter Clad	Lincoln Cent Memorial	$2,500	$3,000	$3,500
Washington Quarter Clad	Foreign Coin	$2,000	$2,500	$3,000
Washington Quarter Clad	Jefferson Nickel	$2,500	$3,000	$3,500
Washington Quarter Clad	Roosevelt Dime Clad	$2,000	$2,500	$3,000
State Quarter	Jefferson Nickel	N/A	$2,000	$3,000
State Quarter (Extremely Rare)	Any Other Denomination	N/A	$10,000	$12,500
Franklin Half	Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$7,500	$12,500	$25,000
Kennedy Half (Extremely Rare)	Any Denomination	$7,500	$10,000	$12,500
IKE Dollar (Extremely Rare)	Any Denomination	$15,000	$20,000	$25,000
Sac Dollar	Maryland State Quarter	N/A	$3,000	$4,000

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Brockages (Updated October 2025)

A brockage error can only occur when there are two coins involved. One of the coins involved will always be a struck coin which has not ejected properly. That struck coin will find its way back between the dies and will be struck next to a blank planchet which was fed into the collar. The image of that first struck coin will be impressed into that side of the blank planchet. The result will be a second coin which has images of the first coin impressed into it. Those images will be pressed into the coin and the image will be in reverse. This incuse sunken image is known as a brockage.

Denomination	50% Brockage XF	100% Brockage XF	50% Brockage Unc	100% Brockage Unc
Large Cent	$600	$1,000	$3,000	$10,000
Indian Cent	$500	$1,250	$1,500	$4,000
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$350	$500	$650	$1,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$125	$200	$200	$350
3 Cent Nickel	$1,250	$2,000	$3,500	$5,000
3 Cent Silver	$2,000	$3,000	$3,000	$6,000
Shield Nickel	$1,500	$2,500	$3,500	$5,000
Liberty Nickel	$1,250	$2,250	$2,000	$4,000
Buffalo Nickel	$2,000	$2,500	$4,000	$7,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$250	$750	$750	$1,500
Jefferson Nickel	$50	$75	$50	$150
Barber Dime	$1,500	$3,500	$5,000	$12,500
Mercury Dime	$750	$3,000	$1,500	$4,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$100	$200	$150	$250
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$50	$100	$75	$150
Washington Quarter Silver	$200	$500	$500	$1,000
Washington Quarter Clad	$75	$150	$150	$250
State Quarter	N/A	N/A	$750	$1,500
Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	N/A	$650	$1,500
IKE Dollar	$1,500	$4,000	$3,000	$10,000
SBA Dollar	N/A	N/A	$500	$2,500
Sac Dollar	N/A	N/A	$1,500	$5,000

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Double & Multiple Strikes (Updated October 2025)

When a blank planchet is struck by the dies, the normal procedure is for the feeders to eject the struck coin out of the collar and into a chute. If there is a malfunction and the struck coin isn't ejected, it may receive a second or third strike by the dies. A multiple struck coin can happen in many ways and have many combinations of errors.

(Since each double and multiple strike can vary from being 10% off-center to 90% off-center, the prices listed below can be substantially more based on the percent off-center and dramatic overall look.)

Denomination	XF/AU	Unc
Large Cent	$1,000	$7,500
Indian Cent	$600	$1,000
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	$850	$1,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$400	$1,500
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	$2,000
3 Cent Nickel	$2,000	$3,500
Liberty Nickel	$4,000	$10,000
Buffalo Nickel	$5,000	$10,000
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$750	$2,000
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	$2,000
Barber Dime	$4,000	$10,000
Mercury Dime	$3,500	$8,500
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	$2,000
Standing Liberty Quarter	$15,000	$50,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$200	$350
State Quarter	N/A	$350 – $750
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	$2,000
Walking Liberty Half	$10,000	$25,000
Franklin Half	$6,500	$10,000
Kennedy Half Silver	$1,500	$2,500
Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	$750
Proof Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	$5,000
Morgan Dollar	$10,000	$25,000
Peace Dollar	$15,000	$40,000
IKE Dollar	$2,000	$4,000 - $7,500
SBA Dollar	$1,000	$2,500 – $4,000
Sac Dollar	$750	$1,250 – $2,500

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Off-Center Strikes (Updated October 2025)

Off-center coins are one of the most common and best known types of errors. This happens when a blank which is supposed to be fed into the press, lands in the collar improperly. When this occurs only part of the blank is between the upper and lower dies. When the dies strike the blank, only that part will be struck with a design.

Denomination	10% - 15% XF/AU	25% - 60% XF/AU	10% - 15% Unc	25% - 60% Unc
Large Cent	$400	$2,500	$1,000	$10,000
Flying Eagle Cent (1857 – 1858)	$2,500	$10,000	$5,000	$20,000
Indian Cent	$100	$400	$200	$600
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	$75	$300	$150	$750
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$40	$250	$100	$500
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	N/A	$1,000	$2,000
3 Cent Nickel	$300	$1,500	$600	$3,500
3 Cent Silver	$1,000	$5,000	$2,000	$7,500
Shield Nickel	$750	$2,500	$1,000	$7,500
Liberty Nickel	$250	$1,000	$500	$2,500
Buffalo Nickel	$250	$750	$400	$1,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	$100	$500	$200	$1,000
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	N/A	$1,000	$2,000
Seated Half Dime Legend	$3,000	$7,500	$5,000	$15,000
Seated Dime Legend	$2,000	$7,000	$3,500	$10,000
Barber Dime	$300	$1,500	$500	$2,500
Mercury Dime	$100	$750	$150	$1,250
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	N/A	$1,000	$2,000
Barber Quarter	$1,500	$5,000	$2,500	$10,000
Standing Liberty Quarter	$5,000	$20,000	$20,000	$40,000
Washington Quarter Silver	$50	$100	$75	$150
State Quarter	N/A	N/A	$75	$300
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	N/A	$1,500	$2,000
Barber Half	$4,000	$10,000	$6,000	$20,000
Walking Liberty Half	$4,000	$12,500	$7,500	$20,000
Franklin Half	$2,500	$4,000	$3,500	$7,500
Kennedy Half Silver	$100	$500	$250	$1,000
Kennedy Half Clad	$60	$250	$100	$400
Proof Clad Half	N/A	N/A	$1,500	$3,000
Morgan Dollar	$3,000	$15,000	$10,000	$50,000
Peace Dollar	$20,000	$35,000	$50,000	$100,000
IKE Dollar	$125	$1,250	$150	$2,000
SBA Dollar	N/A	N/A	$100	$500
Sac Dollar	N/A	N/A	$1,000	$3,500
Presidential Dollar	–	–	$1,500	$5,000

Off-Metals

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Off-metal and wrong planchet errors occur when a correctly made blank from one denomination is accidentally fed into a press for another denomination. Examples are a nickel struck on a cent planchet and a cent struck on a dime planchet. The coin struck on an incorrect blank will weigh exactly what the denomination of that blank would have been. An even more dramatic wrong planchet error is a coin struck on a previously struck coin of a different metal.

Denomination	Off-Metal Planchet	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc – Gem
Indian Cent	Foreign Planchet	$1,000	$1,500	$5,000	$7,500
Indian Cent	Dime Planchet	$10,000	$15,000	$20,000	$25,000
Lincoln Cent Before 1919	Dime Planchet	$4,000	$6,500	$10,000	–
Lincoln Cent Before 1919	Foreign Planchet	$750	$2,000	$4,000	–
Lincoln Cent 1919 – 1940	Dime Planchet	$2,000	$2,500	$4,000	$6,000
Lincoln Cent 1919 – 1940	Foreign Planchet	$500	$1,000	$1,500	$2,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	Dime Planchet	$1,500	$2,500	$3,500	$7,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Transitional	Copper Cent Planchet	$200,000	$250,000	$300,000	$350,000
Lincoln Cent 1944 Transitional	Steel Cent Planchet	$30,000	$50,000	$100,000	$150,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears (1941-1964)	Dime Planchet	$500	$600	$1,000	$2,000
Lincoln Cent 1965 and Later	Dime Planchet	$125	$150	$200	$350
Lincoln Cent 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	$2,000	$3,000	$3,500	$4,000
Lincoln Cent 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	$2,750	$4,500	$6,000	$7,500
Shield Nickel	Foreign Planchet	$7,500	$12,500	–	–
Shield Nickel	Cent Planchet	$15,000	$25,000	$40,000	$60,000
Liberty Nickel	Foreign Planchet	$400	$750	$1,250	$2,000
Liberty Nickel	Cent Planchet	$2,000	$3,000	$6,000	$7,500
Buffalo Nickel	Foreign Planchet	$2,500	$7,500	$12,500	–
Buffalo Nickel	Cent Planchet	$2,000	$4,000	$6,000	$8,000
Jefferson Nickel Before 1950	Cent Planchet	$250	$500	$750	$1,000
Jefferson Nickel 1950 and Later	Cent Planchet	$125	$150	$200	$250
Jefferson Nickel 1943	Steel Cent Planchet	$1,000	$2,000	$3,000	$5,000
Jefferson Nickel 1964 and Earlier	Silver Dime Planchet	$200	$300	$350	$400
Jefferson Nickel 1965 and Later	Clad Dime Planchet	$150	$200	$225	$250
Roosevelt Dime Silver	Foreign Planchet	$2,000	$2,500	$3,000	$3,500
Roosevelt Dime Clad	Foreign Planchet	$1,500	$2,000	$2,250	$2,500
Roosevelt Dime 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$10,000	$12,500
Roosevelt Dime 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$8,500
Washington Quarter Silver	Cent Planchet	$300	$400	$500	$750
Washington Quarter Silver	Nickel Planchet	$300	$400	$500	$600
Washington Quarter Clad	Cent Planchet	$250	$300	$400	$500

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Denomination	Off-Metal Planchet	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc – Gem
Washington Quarter Clad	Nickel Planchet	$100	$150	$200	$250
Washington Quarter	Silver Dime Planchet	$300	$400	$500	$650
Washington Quarter	Clad Dime Planchet	$250	$300	$350	$400
Washington Quarter 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$12,500
Washington Quarter 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$8,500
State Quarter	Cent Planchet	N/A	$6,500	$7,500	$8,000
Delaware State Quarter	Nickel Planchet	N/A	$500	$650	$750
All Other State Quarters	Nickel Planchet	N/A	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500
State Quarter	Dime Planchet	N/A	$5,000	$5,500	$6,000
Walking Half	Dime Planchet	N/A	N/A	N/A	$50,000
Walking Half	Quarter Planchet	$17,500	$22,500	$40,000	$35,000
Walking Half	Foreign Planchet	$10,000	$15,000	$30,000	$25,000
Franklin Half	Cent Planchet	$3,000	$4,000	$5,000	$6,000
Franklin Half	Nickel Planchet	$3,000	$4,000	$5,000	$6,000
Franklin Half	Dime Planchet	$3,500	$4,500	$5,500	$6,500
Franklin Half	Quarter Planchet	$600	$750	$1,000	$1,250
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Cent Planchet	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500	$2,000
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Nickel Planchet	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500	$2,000
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Dime Planchet	$1,000	$1,250	$2,000	$2,500
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Quarter Planchet	$400	$500	$600	$750
Kennedy Half Clad	Cent Planchet	$750	$850	$1,000	$1,500
Kennedy Half Clad	Nickel Planchet	$750	$850	$1,000	$1,250
Kennedy Half Clad	Dime Planchet	$750	$850	$1,000	$1,400
Kennedy Half Clad	Quarter Planchet	$350	$400	$450	$500
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Half Planchet	$3,500	$4,500	$6,000	$10,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Half Planchet	$5,000	$6,500	$7,500	$10,000
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	$2,000	$3,000	$4,000	$5,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	$7,000	$8,000	$9,000	$10,000
Ike Dollar	Cent Planchet	$7,500	$10,000	$12,500	$15,000
Ike Dollar	Nickel Planchet	$10,000	$12,500	$15,000	$20,000
Ike Dollar	Dime Planchet	$7,500	$8,500	$10,000	$12,500
Ike Dollar	Quarter Planchet	$7,000	$10,000	$12,500	$15,000
Ike Dollar	Half Planchet	$1,600	$1,750	$2,000	$3,000
Ike Dollar	Foreign Planchet	$900	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500
Ike Dollar Transitional	40% Silver Planchet	$2,750	$3,000	$3,500	$5,000
SBA Dollar	Cent Planchet	N/A	$1,750	$3,000	$5,000
SBA Dollar	Nickel Planchet	N/A	$6,000	$7,000	$8,000
SBA Dollar	Dime Planchet	N/A	$6,000	$7,000	$10,000
SBA Dollar	Quarter Planchet	N/A	$600	$850	$1,000
Sac Dollar	Cent Planchet	N/A	$12,500	$15,000	$20,000
Sac Dollar	Nickel Planchet	N/A	$12,500	$15,000	$20,000
Sac Dollar	Dime Planchet	N/A	$8,000	$15,000	$20,000
Sac Dollar	Quarter Planchet	N/A	$1,500	$2,000	$2,500

Counterbrockages

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A counterbrockage error involves a cap die and a previously struck coin. When a cap die strikes a previously struck coin, the obverse design from that struck coin will be impressed into the cap. The result will be a design where the cap face will be an incuse brockage. When a new blank is struck by this cap die with an incuse brockage image, the obverse will have a raised and spread image from that incuse design of the cap. This brockage impression is known as a counterbrockage.

Denomination	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc - Gem
Indian Cent	$750	$1,000	$1,500	$2,000
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	$500	$750	$1,500	$2,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	$200	$200	$300	$500
Lincoln Cent Memorial	$40	$50	$75	$100
Shield Nickel	$1,500	$2,000	$4,000	$5,000
Liberty Nickel	$1,500	$2,000	$4,000	$5,000
Jefferson Nickel	$50	$100	$150	$200
Barber Dime	$3,000	$5,000	$7,500	$10,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$300	$500	$750	$1,000
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$100	$150	$250	$300
Washington Quarter Silver	$500	$1,000	$1,500	$2,000
Washington Quarter Clad	$100	$200	$300	$400
State Quarter	N/A	$750	$1,250	$1,500
Kennedy Half Silver	$1,250	$2,000	$3,000	$4,000
Kennedy Half Clad	$500	$750	$1,250	$1,500
SBA Dollar	N/A	$2,000	$3,000	$4,000

Fold-Over Strikes
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A fold-over coin is one of the most dramatic types of errors. It occurs when the blank is standing vertically between the dies. During the strike, the force is so great that it bends and folds the blank. These fold-overs can be on-center or off-center, and come in many different shapes. There are a few fold-overs with multiple errors, either with an additional strike or fold-over. Denominations above quarters are very scarce.

Denomination	AU	AU Dated	Unc	Unc Dated
Indian Cent Memorial Copper	$1,000	$1,250	$1,250	$1,500
Lincoln Cent Memorial Zinc	$750	$1,000	$1,000	$1,250
Jefferson Nickel	$2,500	$3,000	$3,000	$4,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	$4,000	$5,000	$5,000	$6,000
Roosevelt Dime Clad	$3,000	$3,500	$3,500	$4,500
Washington Quarter Silver	$4,000	$5,000	$5,000	$10,000
Washington Quarter Clad	$3,500	$4,000	$4,000	$5,000
State Quarter	$5,000	$6,000	$6,000	$8,500

Martha Washington Test Pieces
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There is one set of a Dime, Quarter and Half struck by Martha Washington dies that are permanently housed in the Smithsonian Institute, embedded in blocks of lucite. According to United States Pattern and Related Issues, by Andrew W. Pollock III, "the only trial pieces purported to have survived metallurgical testing in 1965 were the Dime, Quarter Dollar, and Half Dollar equivalent strikes in copper-nickel clad over copper."

Mike Byers' discovery of the Martha Washington Test Piece on a copper-zinc Cent planchet struck 10% off-center with a uniface reverse was a front page Coin World article on August 7th, 2000.

Denomination	Unc	Choice	Gem
Martha Cent	$1,000	$1,500	$2,000
Martha Nickel	$4,500	$6,000	$7,500
Martha Dime	$7,500	$10,000	$12,500
Martha Quarter	$1,000	$1,500	$3,000
Martha Half Dollar	$5,000	$7,500	$10,000
Martha Dollar (SBA Planchet)	$5,000	$7,500	$10,000
Martha Dollar (Sac Planchet)	$1,000	$1,500	$2,000

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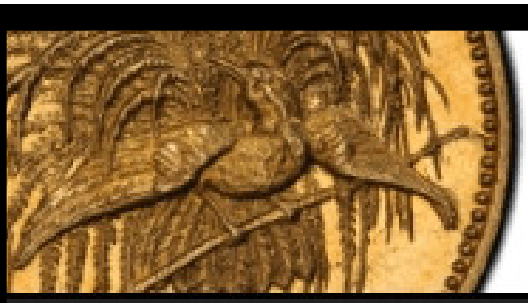

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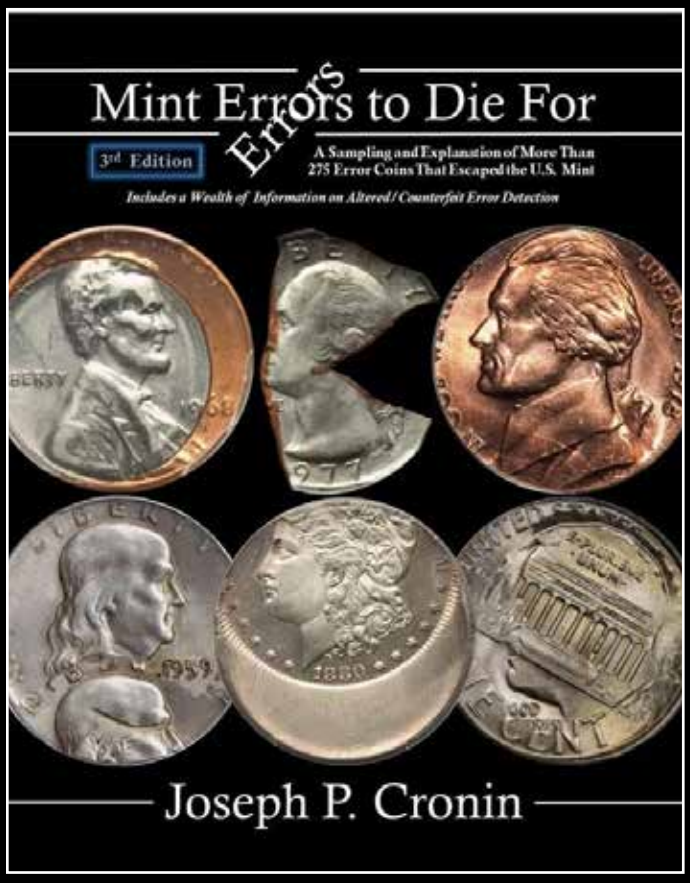
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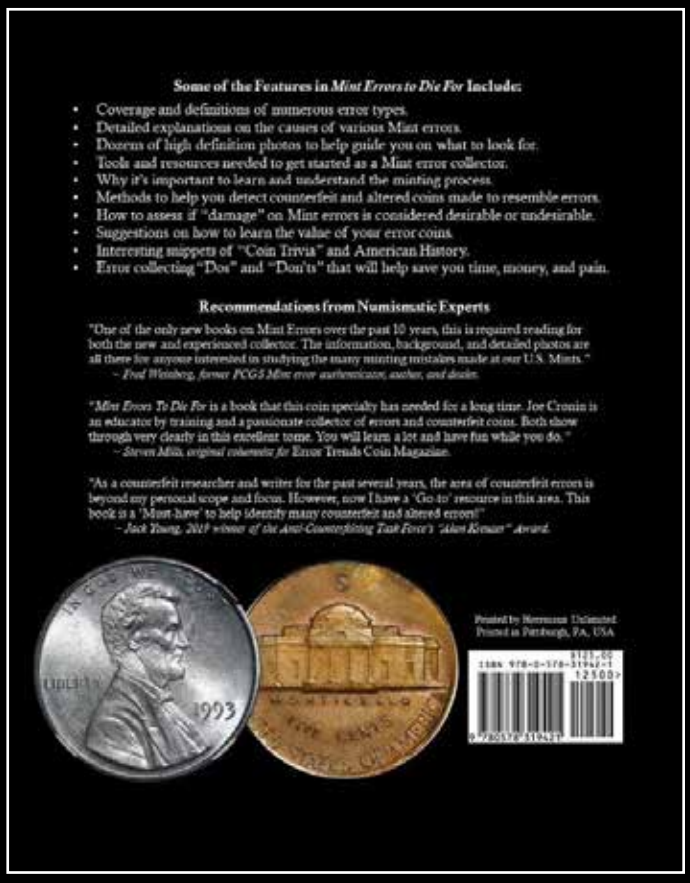
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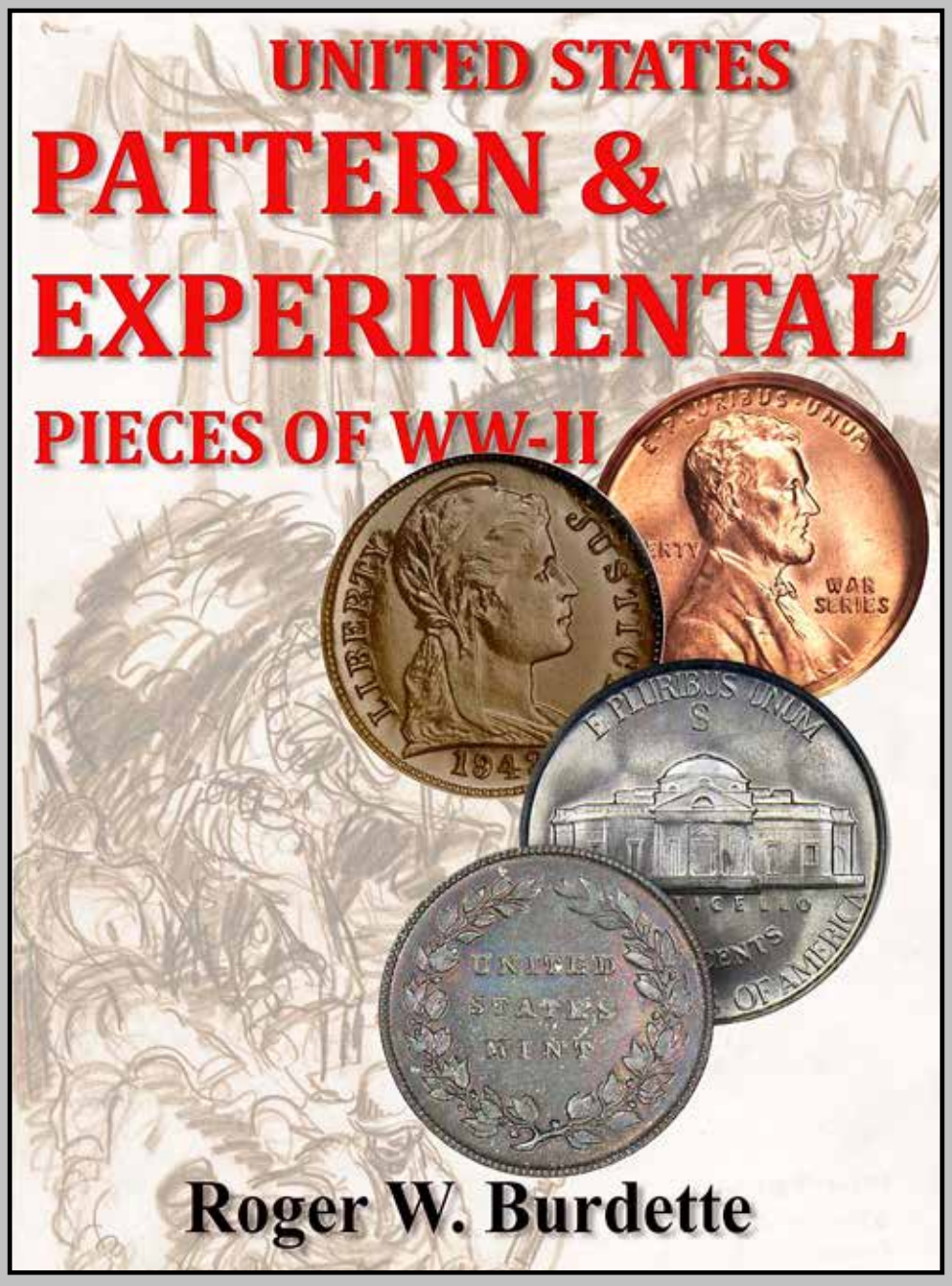

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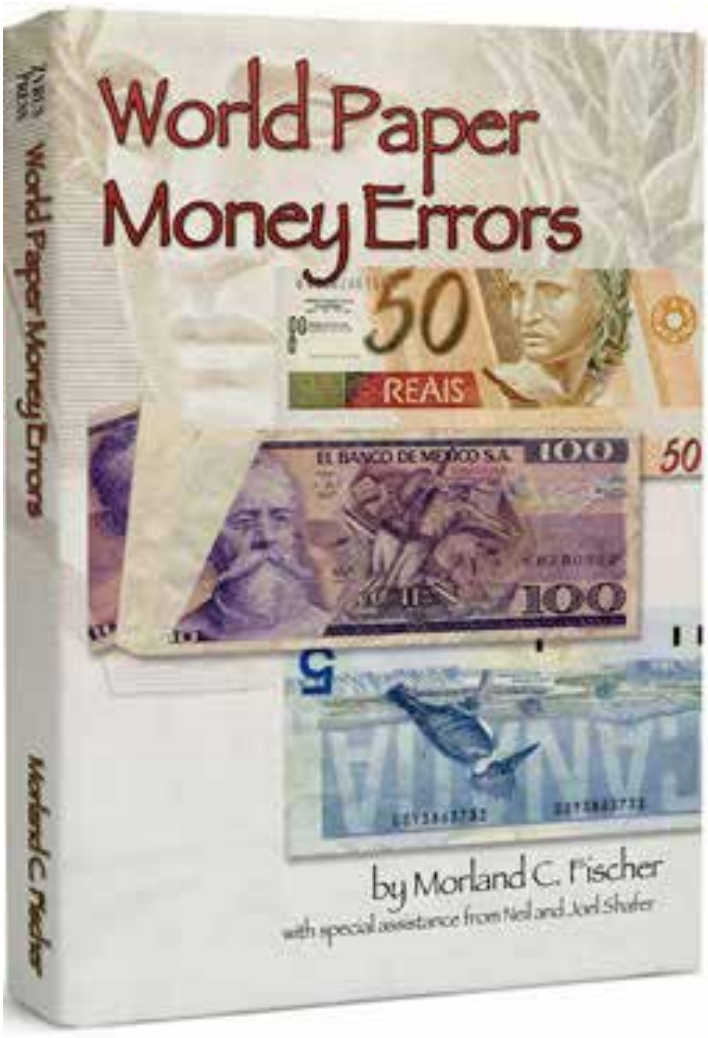

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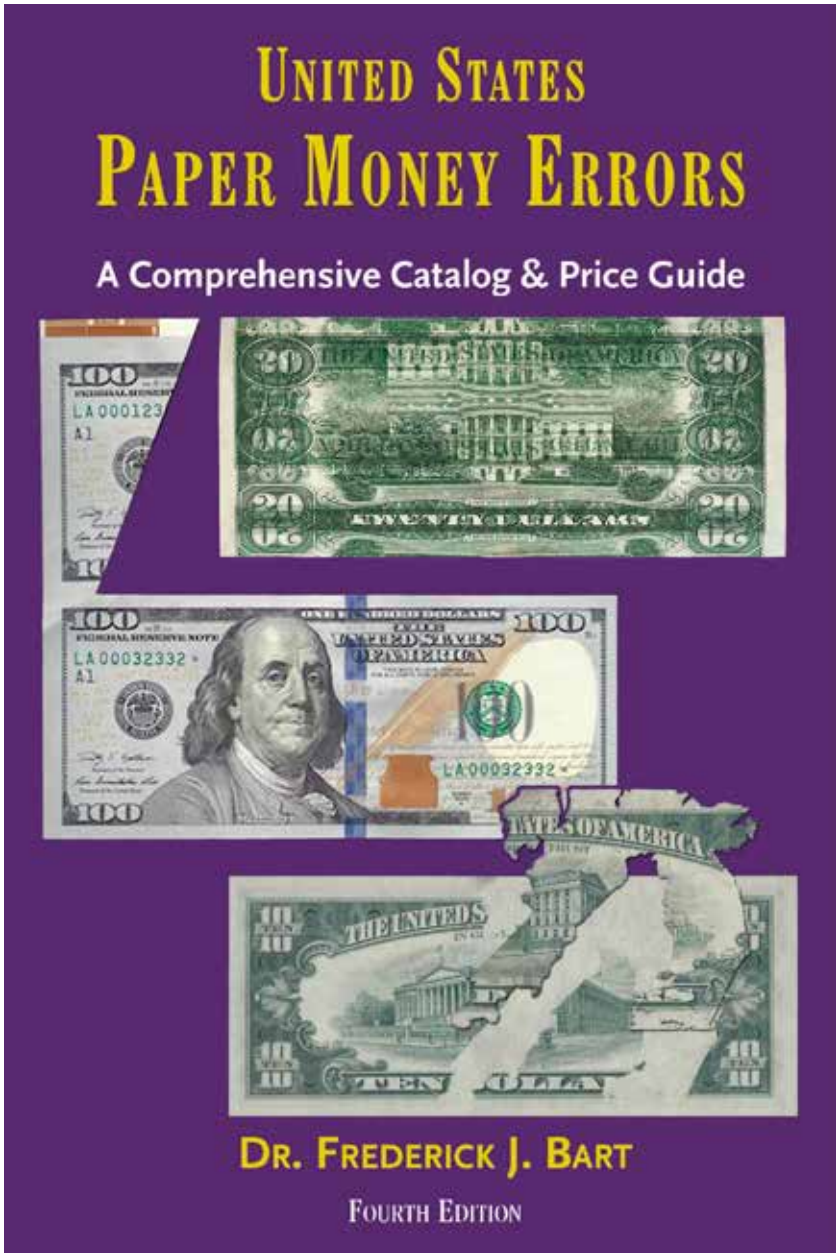

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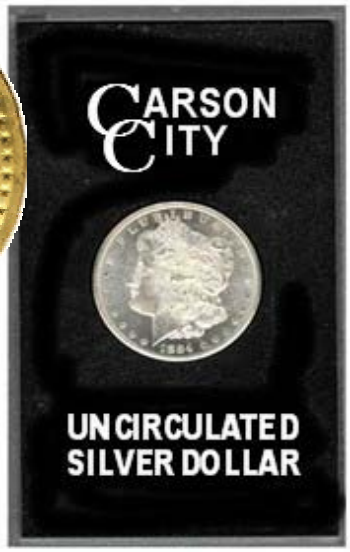

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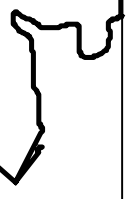

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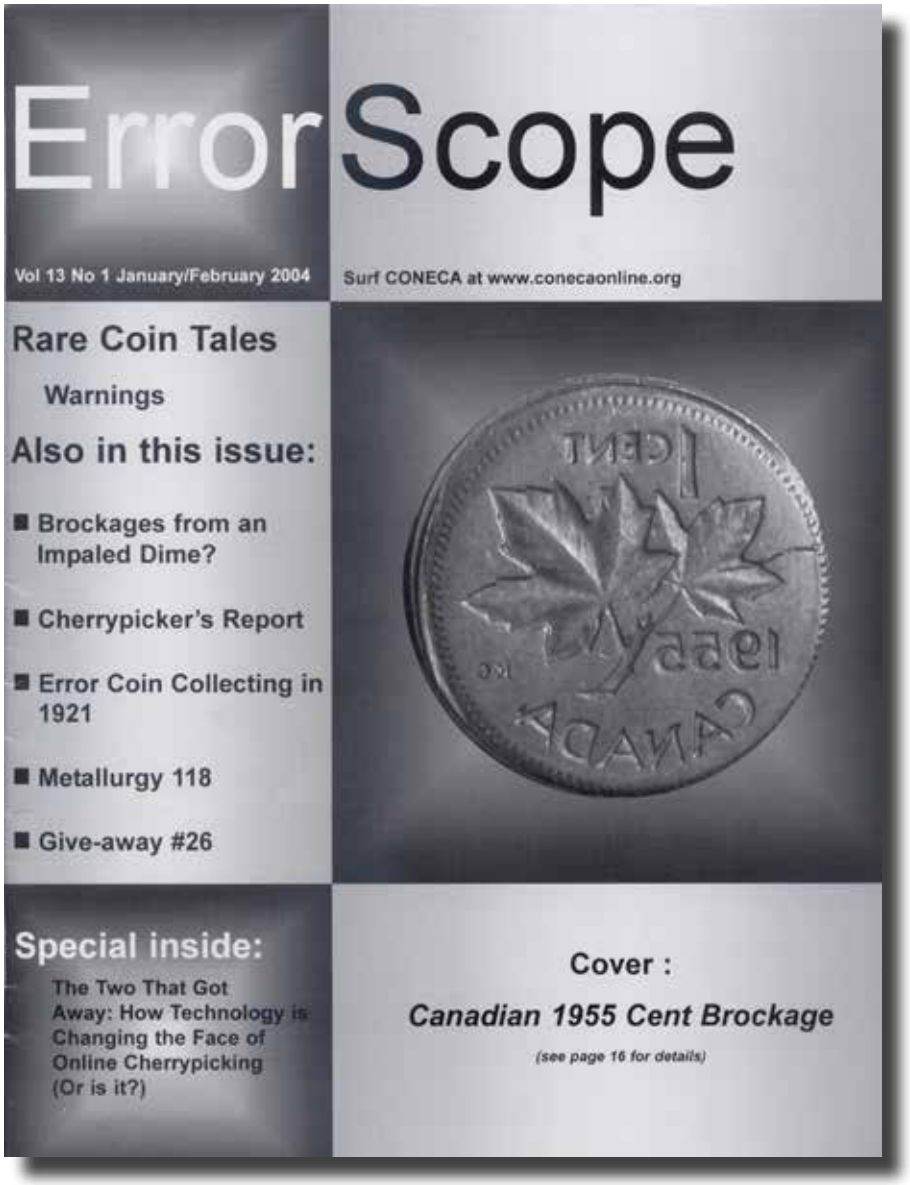
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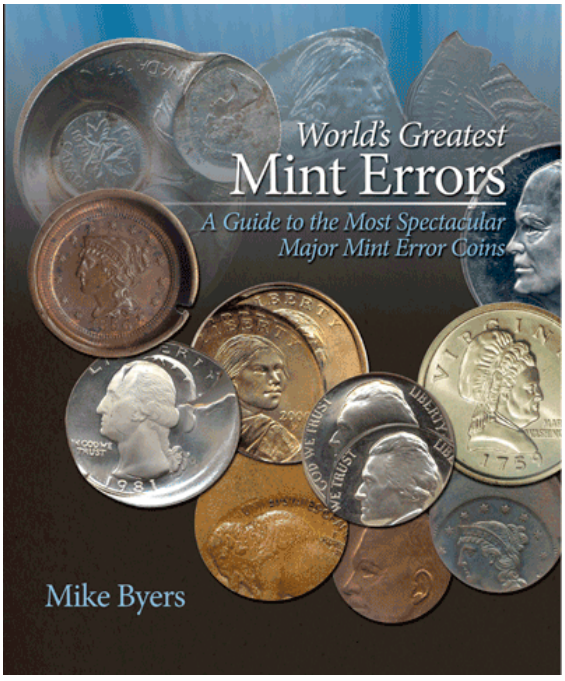

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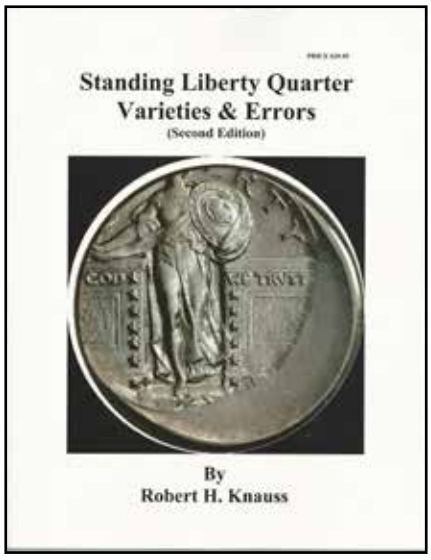

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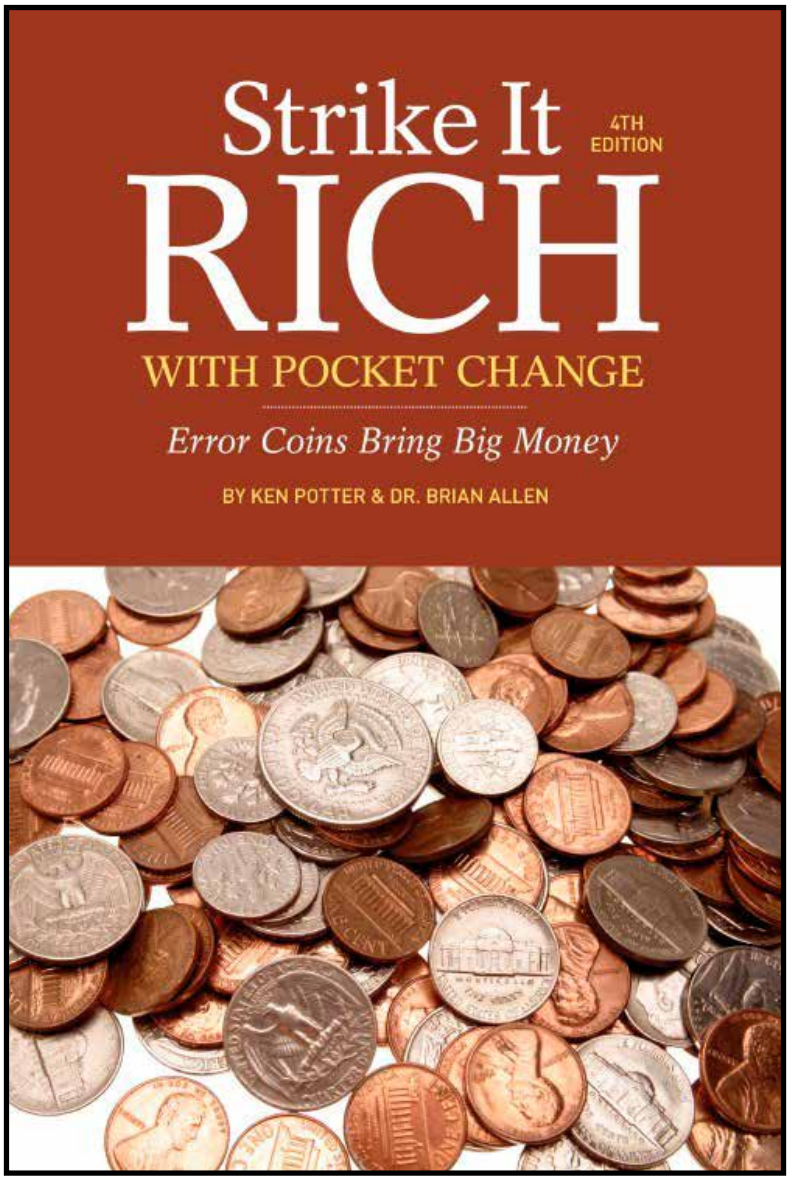

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